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# SEGREGATION AND THE SOUTH

Hon. Tom P. Brady

Brookhaven, Mississippi

IT IS INDEED AN HONOR to be invited to address the distinguished membership and guests of the renowned Commonwealth Club of California.

I have been invited to speak on "Segregation and the South," and I have been requested to do in twenty-seven minutes that which cannot adequately be done in several hours.

I will do my best to present the case for the South and I know you will give me a fair hearing. I shall try to be objective, but if I fail in this regard, I assure you that I can and will be truthful.

I earnestly hope that no one will be offended. I shall remember that I am your guest, but let me assure you, I will not sacrifice truth on the altar of cour-

Integration is defined by Webster: "To bring together the parts of; to give the sum total of; V. I. to pass from a complex and unstable state to one relatively simple and stable." It means, therefore, a blending or flowing together.

Segregation is defined by Webster: "To separate or set apart from the others or from the rest; to isolate.

It is essential that you realize that in the twelve Southern States, segregation means something quite different from what it means in the other States.

In the South, segregation is something more than a definition in a dictionary. It is something more than securing the Negro's block vote. Segregation in the South is a way of life. It is the means whereby we live in social peace, order and security.

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Reprints of the article may be secured by writing the Association of Citizens' Councils ... Greenwood, Mississippi. They retail in quantities of ten for \$1.00, 50 for \$4.00 or 100 for \$6.00.

Judge Brady presides over the Fourteenth Circuit Court District, located at Brookhaven, Mississippi.

to exist between two different races. Segregation exists not merely because we prefer it, but because we must maintain it. Self preservation, the first law of life requires that we do so. It is our shield and buckler — our refuge, our fortress. It is the first commandment and not the last.

Ninety-eight per cent of both races prefer segregation. Integration is urged by the NAACP, a few Southern mulat-toes, Northern Communist-front organizations and leftwing labor groups who would use the unsuspecting Negro as their tool. It does not work any economic hardship nor deprive the Negro of any of his constitutional rights.

#### **Negroes Not Hated**

I want you to distinctly understand that the South does not hate the Negro. I dare say you know little, if anything about the true Southern Negro. Among the finest characters I have ever known are Negroes.

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The Negro has made great strides and the Southern white man is largely responsible for these advancements. In Mississippi, and in other Southern States, Negroes who have desired to do so have become well educated and wealthy. Millionaires are included in this group.

This group has among its numbers doctors, lawyers, teachers, business men, insurance executives, merchants and plantation owners. There is no field of economic endeavor which has been barred to the Negro.

It is only in the social sphere that the barrier is raised.

There are many reasons why the Southerner must refuse to permit integration with the Negro in the social planes of our life. Time will not permit analysis of all of them, but the basic ones can be enumerated.

First, the high percentage of Negroes in the South is of gravest importance, and constitutes one reason.

The national average which the Negro bears to the white man in America is only 10 per cent. In Mississippi, however, it is 45.3 per cent, in Georgia and South Carolina it is 38.8 per cent. The great State of California has but 4.4 per cent.

The State of New York, that yearns so for the welfare of the Negro in Mississippi, has but 6.2 per cent; New Jersey 6.6 per cent; Pennsylvania 6.1 per cent, and Oregon has but eight-tenths of one one per cent. Montana and Nevada have two-tenths of one per cent and South

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In the States of New York, Illinois, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, where so much turmoil and strife have arisen over the desegregation of the public schools, where mass demonstrations of violence have taken place, just as they have in Tennessee and Arkansas, if these States had 45.3 per cent of their population Negro, I shudder to think what violent clashes would have taken place between the Negroes and whites.

If, in San Francisco County, California, as in many counties in Mississippi and other Southern States, the Negroes outnumbered the whites five and six to one, I wonder how willing you would be to have complete educational and social integration.

There is, as every honest socialist knows, a distinct correlation between the degree of segregation of the races and the numerical strength of the Negro. The reason is obvious.

If in the South the Negro was permitted, as he is in some Northern States, to obtain the ballot by simply reaching 21 years of age, it would mean that no qualified white man in many counties throughout the South could ever hold public office.

It would also mean that in the halls of Congress, seats now held by competent white representatives would be held by ignorant, incompetent Negroes.

#### The Negro I.Q.

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While I regret that I must do so, I must nevertheless comment upon some of the intellectual and moral aspects of the reason why the South must remain socially segregated.

The average vocabulary of the Negro in the South consists of approximately 650 words. I hesitate to estimate the I. Q. of the average Negro of the South, since the Federal Government refused to give me the results of the intelligence tests given in World War II and in the Korean conflict. The NAACP objected to the furnishing of this information.

I can, however, safely say that based upon the tests which are available from World War I, and from personal experience, there is a vast gulf of difference between the I. Q. of the Negro of the South, as well as in America, and the average white man.

It is because of an inherent deficiency in mental ability, of psychological and temperamental inadequacy. It is because of indifference and natural indolence on the part of the Negro.

All the races of the earth started out at approximately the same time in God's calendar, but of all the races that have been on this earth, the Negro race is the only race that lacked mental ability and the imagination to put its dreams, hopes and thoughts in writing. The Negro is the only race that was unable to invent even picture writing.

An exhaustive study of the program and results of integration in the schools of Washington, D. C., which the NAACP and other left wing groups fos-tering integration said would be a model for the rest of the United States to follow, clearly reveals that the average white student who was integrated in the class room with the Negro has been retarded two to three years in his educational progress.

Therefore, it is not to the best interest of America that the white children, particularly in certain congested sections, be retarded three years in their educational advancement.

Never forget that the left-wing socialist groups are forever grading down, never grading up the intelligence, the industry and the genius of this country! They wish to equalize, thereby reducing to a low minimum the intelligence of America.

There is certainly less than one per cent of the white people of the South who would ever agree to marry a Negro. Miscegenation has largely taken place, I am glad to say, North of the Mason-Dixon line, and whatever laxity which has heretofore existed in Southern mores permitting clandestine relations between Negroes and whites has almost entirely disappeared. The rule is now hard and adamant. This is taboo in the South! We presently do not fear miscegenation.

#### **Moral Reasons**

The main objection to social integration of the races in our schools or elsewhere by Southerners is for moral reasons. I again repeat, there are exceptions to the rule, and among the finest

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citizens I have known are numbered Negroes. They are, however, exceptions.

In a remarkable treatise, "Where Is The Reign of Terror?" by Representative John Bell Williams of Mississippi, published in the Congressional Record on school integration in Washington, it is succinctly shown that the white boys and girls of Washington were subjected to unspeakable vulgarity, immorality and filth.

The truth is often brutal, but I must speak it! As revealed in this exhaustive study, objectively made, the white children of Washington, D. C. were retarded two to three years in their educational advancement.

The obscenity, vulgarity, immorality and brutality which came about requires the constant maintenance of policemen in the halls and corridors of many of the schools.

Obscene pictures and notes were placed on the desks of white girls by Negroes. The radiators, stairs and halls were utilized as rest room urinals by Negroes. The carrying of concealed weapons, the vicious aggravated assaults, the actual rape and attempted rape of white girls and even teachers are some of the results found in this model example of what integration in our high schools can produce.

Make no mistake about this, the Southern fathers and mothers are not going to permit their daughters to be humiliated or insulted by Negroes, or by anyone else!

They are not going to permit their daughters to have to resist the lewd advances of Negro boys. They are not going to permit their sons and daughters to be subjected to the abysmal vulgarity of Negro children who are urged to take every possible advantage of the white children.

Possibly, I cannot speak for the South, but I can speak for Mississippi, and I tell you this, we have already, by constitutional amendment, authorized our legislature as other Southern States will do, to abolish the public schools if the Negro and white children are ever integrated therein.

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see that the Negro is educated separately. It will cost dearly, but we will do it.

Few isolated assaults with deadly weapons have taken place in either white or colored schools in Mississippi. Such assaults are numerous in Washington, Chicago, New York and other cities where the Negro and white children have been integrated.

#### **Moral Standards**

The Negro, in so far as sex is concerned, is not immoral, he is simply non-moral. He merely follows his natural instincts. The pregnancies and illegitimate births which have occurred in schools in Washington are not abnormal, they are merely astounding!

The high percentage of veneral diseases among the Negro children is tragic. In the South, we have not and do not punish the Negro except in rare instances for desertion, illegitimacy or bigamy.

To have two or more common law wives along with a legal wife is not unusual for Negro men. The white race is now on the verge of forever abolishing incest. The Negro is still far behind. In the South, we punish the Negro for incest and there are now on my Docket, as is frequently the case, indictments against Negroes who have begotten children by their daughters.

We cannot count for nought the natural indolence and indifference of the Negro's nature. We cannot disregard his utter disregard for the laws relating to theft. We cannot overlook his proclivity for drunkenness and dope addiction. We cannot overlook his natural tendency to immorality and violence and subject our children to the terrible consequences resulting from such traits through integration.

In California, the Negro constitutes 4.4 per cent of your total population, yet 19 per cent of all crimes committed in California were committed by Ne-

In the State of New York, the Negro constitutes only 6.2 per cent of the total population, and yet 40.1 per cent of the prison population of New York is Ne-

In Mississippi, the Negro constitutes 45.3 per cent of the population and commits 73.4 per cent of the crimes.

In the District of Columbia, the Negro's mecca of America, according to the 1950 census, the Negro constituted 35 per cent of the total population, and the Negro prison population is 70 per cent, or twice the ratio of Negro population to that of white population. This is a national disgrace.

The District of Columbia has more Negro convicts than either Louisiana, or Mississippi, Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Texas, Kentucky, or Maryland.

Experienced Southern officials and honest sociologists with experience on the subject, point to the presence of segregation as one of the principal contributions to the low incidence of crime in the Southern States.

"They are firm in the conviction that segregation serves as a restraint on the exercise of imagined license, which the Negro confuses with liberty.'

#### Washington, D.C.

The most completely integrated city in America is our national capitol. Let us see what integration has produced for the citizens of Washington where, since 1940, the Negro population has increased by 186,000 and the white population has increased by 9,000.

Since the last census of 1950, it is estimated that Negroes compose almost 45 per cent of Washington's adult population, and 71 per cent of the public school population. Yes, the Supreme Court's order to stop discrimination and to embrace the Negro race was issued from a city which had already tried it with what result.

In 1955, as disclosed by the Honorable Evetts Haley of Texas, of every seven murders committed in Washington, six were by Negroes. Of every eight cases of rape, seven were committed by Negroes.

Of every five burglaries, four were

committed by Negroes. Of every twenty juvenile crimes, nineteen were committed by Negroes. Of every forty-one cases of venereal diseases, forty were Negroes.

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Desegregation has come home to roost. It comes with ironic justice to roost in the city of the Supreme Court itself — Washington, D. C.

Segregation is but one distinguishing characteristic of the South. It has other attributes.

The South is the citadel of conservatism. It is a bastion for constitutional government. For years Mississippi and the entire South have been gravely concerned over the socialist trend of our Federal Government.

The South has constantly disapproved the prodigal give-away program to the Communist and socialist countries abroad. It resented the competing by the Federal Government with private industry. It deplored the tolerance shown the Communist and left-wing groups in

None of these stimuli, however, were sufficient to precipitate a genuine "grass roots" movement, but Mississippi, South Carolina and Louisiana did boldly cry protest in 1948, when these States walked out of the National Democratic Convention in Philadelphia, organized the States' Rights Party, nominated and voted for Strom Thurmond of South Carolina and Fielding L. Wright of Mississippi as its presidential and vice presidential nominees.

The conservative constitutional people of the United States had an opportunity then to vote for two men who were bitterly opposed to the gradual socialization of America and the destruction of the sovereign rights and powers of the forty-eight states by a totalitarian inclined Federal Government. Our stand provoked only ridicule and abuse.

It was only when the Supreme Court of the United States, on May 17, 1954, handed down the infamous Black Monday decision that the people of the South realized that the "die was cast," that the "Rubicon had been crossed," and that they had no alternative except to organize completely and resist the ultimate result of that illegal, sociological and unconstitutional decision.

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#### Citizens' Councils

Thus it was the Citizens' Councils were born. It is the medium whereby the South proposes to and will nullify this illegal decision. The Citizens' Council is the counterpart of the old New England Town Meeting. Membership, however, is selected and restricted.

The Citizens' Council is a good crosssection of that City or County it represents. Among its members are lawyers, doctors, ministers, industrialists, merchants, employees, farmers, plantation owners and laborers.

Jews, Catholics and Protestants alike become members when they subscribe to an oath of non-violence and pledge to support in every legal way possible the maintenance of segregation and preservation of the rights of the States of this Union.

There are in Mississippi 362 Councils with approximately 85,000 members. Throughout the South, there are more than 300,000 Council members. Each Council is completely autonomous and has obtained from the State a Charter.

There is moreover, in each State a board of directors which represents every Council in that State; and there is a south-wide co-ordinating agency in which eleven of the twelve Southern States are represented, known as the Citizens' Council of America.

The Citizens' Council paper has a circulation of 65,000. It is sent into every State of the Union and is placed on the desk of every State Legislator and important public official. Every high school library receives it. Every member of Congress and the personnel of many Federal Agencies likewise receive this paper.

Primarily, the Councils are dedicated to the preservation of segregation and the sovereign rights of the States of this Union. They are opposed to the communizing and socializing of our labor organizations, churches and schools.

The Citizens' Councils are determined to do everything within their power to prevent the broadening of the powers of the executive branch of our Government, and the usurpation by the judiciary of powers vested solely in Congress.

They are determined to resist the enormous and unwarranted pressure which is brought to bear on both major political parties and on all branches of our Government by the left-wing minority groups.

The Councils will resist to the bitter end the proposed welfare state and its destruction of the obligations and liberties of the citizens of this country. Above all, the Councils are dedicated to non-violence and have prevented lynchings and mob action in the South.

The Councils firmly believe that within the confines of the true constitution of this Government and within the Constitutions of the respective States, an orderly, peaceful and legal means exist whereby these objectives can be secured and maintained.

#### The NAACP

Though there are many facets to the movement to completely integrate the Negro in the South, the basic cause we know is of world wide Communist origin and design.

In 1910 four white persons and one Negro founded the NAACP in New York City. They were Wm. M. Walling, a Russian-trained revolutionary; Mary Ovington White, and Oswald Garrison Villard, a socialist and descendent of a Civil War Abolitionist; Dr. Henry Mos-kowitz; and W. E. B. DuBois, its pres-ent Negro "Honorary Chairman" with not less than 72 citations of Communist. Communist-front and subversive activities entered against his name.

The president, executive secretary, special counsel and chairman of the board of directors of the NAACP; eleven of its twenty-eight vice presidents, its treasurer, twenty-eight of its fortyseven directors - and many other associates are cited in the files of the Un-American Activities Committee or designated by the Attorney General as affiliated with or participating in Communist, Communist-front, fellow-traveling, or subversive organizations.

We realize that the drive for complete integration of the races in the South is but a small segment in the over-all plan to first socialize and then communize America.

Positive proof of this can be found in the Communist Party's National platform adopted on May 25, 1928, which included every demand for Negroes which is now found in TARGET FOR 1963, a pamphlet published by the NAACP in 1956, giving its program and objectives.

The Communists have decided that every adult Negro in the South shall be franchised so that the Negroes will hold a large number of the seats in the State Legislatures and will occupy the Southern seats in Congress.

The report of the National Committee of the Communist Party of October 5, 1955, concluded with this advice: "Pass civil rights legislation! End segregation! Full equality for the Negro people — now!"

The February number of the Red magazine, "Party Voice," said, "Vic-

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tory would mean desegregation, majority rule and Negro representation. Victory would mean the replacement of the Dixiecrat delegations to State and National Legislature by spokesman for the Negro people, labor and poor farmers."

#### **Negro Legislators**

What would happen to the country if the twenty-four Southern United States Senators were replaced by ignorant Negro and Communist labor lead-

I cannot help but wonder how the rights of Californians and the people of all the States would fare if the seats of the United States Senate which have been filled by men such as Cordell Hull, James F. Byrnes, Walter George, Harry Byrd, Bankhead, Thurmond, Ellender, Lyndon Johnson and James Eastland were usurped by Communist Negroes or labor leaders.

What would happen to this country if the hundred odd Southern members of the House of Representatives of Congress were replaced by Angelo Herndons and Reverend Kings.

It is a fact that Communist sympathizers and left-wing organizers, founded the NAACP and largely control it. It is indisputable that the Communist groups have infiltrated some of the labor unions, our colleges and our churches, and are all chanting for integration. A war is being waged by them to capture the American mind.

The South above all other sections of the country has stubbornly resisted and fought these groups which are communizing our Government. The NAACP knows this, labor knows this, and the Communists know this, and we are, therefore, the target of their resentment and unending hate.

We have grown accustomed to the misrepresentation, vituperation and abuse that is daily heaped upon us by Northern left-wing news media and vote hungry socialist politicians.

We can take it, because we are waiting for that day, and believe that it is not far distant, when conservative Americans will unite and all constitutional, liberty loving citizens in this country will rise up in our defense and join hands with us in waging our lonely fight to protect and preserve America from Godless Communism!

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A. Phillip Randolph, a Negro and a vice president of the AFL-CIO, and director of the NAACP, outlined the methods to be used in organizing the white and the Negroes in unsegregated unions in the South in his publication, "The Messenger.'

He wrote, "The time is ripe for a great mass movement among the Negroes, revolution must come; we mean a complete change in the organization of society, the capitalist system must go and it's going must be hastened by the workers themselves; a bullet is sometimes more convincing than a hundred prayers, sermons, protests and petitions; we are especially thankful for the Russian Revolution — the greatest achievement of the Twentieth Century."

#### The Real Victim

Two of the Communist aims calculated to destroy the conservative South have been accomplished. First, the infamous illegal Black Monday decision of May 17, 1954 outlawing segregation in the schools.

The second great victory for the Communist is the Civil Rights Bill recently enacted by Congress on August 29. 1957. This bill inaugurates a Second Reconstruction Era in the South. As Congressman William Colmer has said, it will affect, however, not only the South because the sovereign rights of every State in the Union have been violated.

This iniquitious act, like a loaded pistol, is aimed at the South which has contributed so much to the foundation and perpetuation of our Republic.

It is not the South, the Democratic Party or the Republican Party which will suffer the most. The real victim in the tragedy which was concluded will be the Republic itself, for once the trigger is pulled, the freedom and basic rights of all sections of this country will be further curtailed.

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As R. Carter Pittman of Georgia has written in his splendid booklet "The Broken Constitution!"

"As we in the South once more pass into our garden of Gethsemane, thence to bear our social judicial cross, we plead with our brothers to the North and to the West not to let their sympathy and understanding be limited by latitude or longitude.

We will fight the good fight, we will run the straight race, we shall not resort to violence. We condemn and deplore the sporatic acts of violence which have occurred in the South and in the North. We will fight within the confines and powers of our respective State Constitutions and the Constitution of the United States.

If this country is to be saved from Communism, as Carter Pittman has said, "It must be saved by the white people of the South and West. We did not ask for this burden, but we will bear it.

"Our Yankee friends to the North and East may not want to be saved, but they should be saved too, and also the white and the Negro race. Let it be known, however, that we in the South do not intend to obey men, however exalted their seats or black their robes or hearts. We intend to obey the laws of God and to obey the laws of this country which are made in accordance with our Constitution.

"We will live as free men, or die as becomes the descendants of those who died that we might live in the freedom to be different, with the liberty to be left alone."

Finally, so that there may be no vestige of doubt in your mind how we feel regarding segregation, I now fervently say, Dum vivamus tum segregabimur et post mortem — Deo volente, etiam nunc sic erit, which literally translated means, "As long as we live, so long shall we be segregated, and after death, God willing, thus it will still be!"

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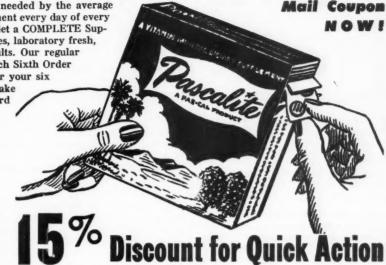
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# Jesus Loved Them!

The Defender Reviews the Book for the Month

LOVE is a very strange, almost intangible emotion.

We have all, to some extent, experienced it ... and yet if we were called upon to sit down and write an accurate definition of what love is, it would prove to be a difficult assignment.

Since the dawn of civilization mankind has sought something or someone upon whom he could shower his affections; and in like manner he has instinctively tried, by various and sundry means, to encourage the reciprocity of personal attachment.

A child upon entering the world very soon becomes conscious of the deep devotion of his mother. Without complaint she forgoes precious hours of needed evening rest so that she may tend to the physical needs of her off-

She tenderly bathes the young body, while she inwardly praises God for giving her a child healthy and strong; and as she clothes him the babe expresses his affection by showering his mother with an all-enveloping smile of love.

As the months go by, the child soon realizes there is someone who cares for him beside his mother. He trains his ear to listen for his father's footsteps as he returns home each evening, and he learns to look forward to the times they spend together in play.

As the child matures, so does his capacity for love. He quickly draws to himself those sympathetic to his ideas ... and learns to withdraw from those whose personalities and characteristics run counter to his own.

As the years race quickly by, he becomes more and more conscious of the fact that true love, honest friendship, is a rare jewel. Many who proclaim these qualities, fail in their duty when the need is greatest.

Somewhere along the line, if he has been fortunate, he has come face to face with the Friend of all friends, the Lord Jesus Christ. If he has had the privilege of accepting Him as his Saviour, acknowledging Him as the Son of God, he has indeed made a wise choice. For then, when others upon whom he depended turned aside, he can be comforted in knowing that Jesus never fails ... for Jesus is God, and God is love!

#### Jesus Loved Them

The love of God is a mysterious, yet wonderful thing. He is all-powerful ... we are limited in our ability. He is infinitely wise ... we still grope around in darkness, seeking to increase our knowledge. He is perfection ... we frail humans strive for improvement on a moral plane, but our weaknesses stand out in glaring display when we seek most to hide them.

And yet, according to the beloved Disciple, "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

He loves us in spite of our shortcomings. He loves us, undeserving though we may be. He loves our souls ... but abhors our sins!

This philosophy has been very aptly captured and put on paper by two gentlemen of the press from California ...

Messrs. Sam Patrick and Omar Garrison. They searched the Bible diligently, choosing a total of sixty-seven characters, studied their personalities, endeavoring to see what there was in that person which made Christ love them so.

The result was the book now being discussed, entitled "Jesus Loved Them." This is a volume to be treasured and enjoyed as you do your family Bible or album. In fact, it is a book that combines the special value and appeal of these two precious tomes, for it is a family album of New Testament figures.

The authors discuss not only the friends and followers of Jesus, but also the disparagers, those who seemed to hate Him the most. Included in the group are the mother of Jesus, the twelve disciples, Lazarus, Mary Mag-dalene, Herod, Pontius Pilate ... even Judas ... a total of sixty-seven character sketches.

Artist Sam Patrick searched diligently for many months, seeking just the right models from all walks of life, sparing no effort to find the desired features, the appropriate feeling in a face. The result is a startling realism - these people speak to you from the page and their eyes and expressions tell a story.

So vivid and life-like are these portraits that it is with a feeling of recognition that one looks at them. Here are no idealized, other-worldly portrayals, but rather faces one seems to remember, living faces that reflect the passions and experiences of living men.

On the page opposite each drawing is a brief, straightforward account of the significant events of the subject's life and his relationship with Jesus. These were written by Omar Garrison, Religious Editor of the Los Angeles Mirror-News, and they serve to help you know and understand these men and women as intimately as you do your own family and friends.

Taken all together, these portraits and stories bring to life the great moments in the life of Christ - His meetings with the apostles, His miracles, His betrayal, and His passion. To read of these events in this unique new presentation is to experience afresh the beautiful and moving story of Jesus' life and to understand anew the great source of our faith.

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Woman Who Touched His Robe

"And, behold, a woman . . . came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment." Matthew 9:20.

#### **Woman Who Touched His Robe**

Jesus was on His way to the house of Jairus to raise that official's daughter from the dead, when this nameless woman in the crowd about Him, demonstrated the power of intense faith.

She said within herself:

"If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole."

She did not realize that Jesus would be aware of her touch, made with such intense hope, based upon implicit faith.

In the multitude that accompanied Him, many must have brushed against Him, or plucked at His sleeve with this or that request.

But the touch of this woman was different. It was the hand of faith, reaching out to salvation.

And Jesus immediately turned and asked those about Him:

"Who touched me?"

Everyone denied having done so. Then Peter said:

"Master, the multitude throng thee and press thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?"

Jesus explained that somebody had

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touched Him, "for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me."

When she saw that her act had been discovered, the woman came forward, trembling. Falling at Jesus' feet, she confessed to Him and to everybody present why she had touched Him, and how she had been instantly healed.

Jesus, who was always gentle with the troubled in spirit, said:

"Daughter, be of good comfort. Thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace."

As Professor F. Davidson observes, "It is still true that while multitudes throng Jesus, it is the few who touch Him."

#### A Man Born Blind

The eyes that were turned toward Jesus that day as He passed through the streets of Jerusalem, were like empty slates upon which the Man of Galilee could write a story of God's love.

Knowing that this man had been blind from birth, the disciples asked Jesus:

"Is his affliction the result of sins committed by him or by his parents?"

This question implies a belief among the followers of Jesus in reincarnation — a Greek concept that was current among many Jews at that time.

But Jesus told His disciples:

"Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him."

That the blind man had indeed been prepared to play a part in the miracle which followed is evident in the fact that he instantly believed in the power of Jesus and followed His remarkable directions for a cure.

It required great faith to believe that even a Messiah could give sight to one born blind. Medical men of all ages have agreed that total blindness from birth is virtually incurable. That is why the blind man's neighbors, in their own belief, said:

"Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind."

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A Man Born Blind

"And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth." John 9:1.

had promised only his prayers in return for alms, was so deeply moved by the unseen Stranger that he was willing to believe even in the impossible.

For, having done His bidding and washed in the pool of Siloam, the man of darkness looked for the first time upon the Light of the World.



These are but two of the sixty-seven individuals thus discussed in "Jesus Loved Them." Mr. Garrison has done a magnificent job of relating the events in the lives of these persons ... and Mr. Patrick, in his sketches, has brought these sometimes insignificant characters alive, causing them to become an indelible part of the reader's memory.

"Jesus Loved Them" is an attractive volume. Bound in beautiful blue cloth, the book measures 8½ inches wide by 11 inches deep. The portrait of Christ, which appears on the jacket, is most striking, suitable for framing if so desired.

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# PAUL'S THORN

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WHEN A PREACHER announces that he believes in the ministry of healing, or when it becomes known that he prays for the sick according to James 5:14, there are invariably a number of "wiseacres" and "doubting Thomases" who hasten to inform him of three things.

First, they remind him that Jacob's thigh was thrown out of place and that, after his name was changed from Jacob to Israel, he spent the rest of his life limping.

Second, they remind him that Job had boils and that he was a great sufferer. They usually forget to speak of the fact that Job was finally healed and came out into a glorious experience with God. Job's suffering, rather than his victory, is usually emphasized.

Then, in the third place, the "wise-acres" invariably remind the man of faith of Paul's thorn in the flesh, and they call attention to II Corinthians 12:7-10.

And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities,

in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

#### Paul and the Sanhedrin

That we may make a careful analysis of the present subject, let us be reminded of some of the personal characteristics of this unusual man Paul.

He was a man of great learning and noble birth. Pure Jewish blood tingled in his veins. He was also a Roman. It will be recalled that one day, after he had been arrested for holding a street meeting, the news seeped through to the authorities that he was a Roman. The officials in the community were glad to release him at once because of the prestige and power which the very name "Rome" carried at that time.

There is considerable evidence to the effect that before his conversion on the Damascus Road Paul may have been a member of the Jewish Sanhedrin.

The Sanhedrin was the highest legal and religious body of the Jews. It was their Supreme Court of Justice. Many scholars believe that the college of seventy elders, organized by Moses, was the organization out of which the Sanhedrin came originally. If this be true, this great legal body began while the children of Israel were wandering in the wilderness. The Sanhedrin went out of existence in the year 425 A. D.

The Sanhedrin was a very aristocratic body and the hereditary high priest was its guide and official. Josephus tells us that Herod the Great inaugurated

his reign by ordering the whole Sanhedrin to be put to death, and evidently formed another Sanhedrin, the members of which he chose himself.

The Sanhedrin was composed of seventy lawyers, scribes, priests and elders. The high priest held the office of president and thus made the total membership seventy-one. The tribunal met on Mondays and Thursdays and always sat in a semi-circle so that every member could see every other member. All other courts were inferior to this exalted body in the eyes of the Jews.

In front of the semi-circle stood the two clerks of the court, the one on the right hand, the other on the left, whose duty it was to record the votes of those who were in favor of acquital on one hand and of those who were in favor of condemnation on the other. A prisoner, when coming before the Sanhedrin, was required to appear in a humble attitude, dressed in mourning.

Jesus was tried by the Sanhedrin for blasphemy. Peter and John were tried on the charge of being false prophets. Stephen stood trial before the Sanhedrin and was convicted on the charge of blasphemy, after which he was condemned to death.

The Scriptural record tells us that when Paul started for Damascus to persecute the Christians that he had letters, or credentials, from Jews high in authority. It is no doubt a legitimate assumption that Paul was sent by the Sanhedrin to persecute the Christians, and if this be true, in all probability he was a member of that legal body.

If he was a member of this great court of law makers, you can see at once where he stood in the estimation of the people. He was honored and respected by everybody. He had wealth, fame and social standing.

#### Paul the Scholar

Contemplate also his educational advantages. He was a student of one of the most celebrated educators of history. He sat at the feet of Gamaliel.

Gamaliel was a grandson of Hillel, the great educator of ancient Israel. Every student of Jewish history knows what a learned man Hillel was. Gamaliel was taught by Hillel, and Paul was taught by Gamaliel. Not a few Jewish scholars look upon Gamaliel as the

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Considering these things, we recognize at once that Paul possessed a knowledge of both Jewish and Roman law. His training had made him a master legal mind.

When Paul stood before Felix and demanded a change of venue, he knew what he was doing. When he appeared before Festus and King Agrippa in the Roman court, he felt perfectly at ease. He was right at home in that great legal

Felix had tried the case and Paul had appealed to a higher court. He was on his way to Caesar. Paul knew the legal terms of his day and he used them.

There he stood that great day before the mighty Festus and Agrippa. He combined logic, law, eloquence and oratory in his masterful appeal. Agrippa was swept off his feet by Paul's mighty blasts of oratory, and he said, "Paul, almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian."

#### A Conquered Man

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#### Sore Eyes

What was Paul's thorn in the flesh? A certain group of Bible students say that he had sore eyes. They built up their hypothesis on the fact that when he wrote to the Galatians he said, toward the close of his epistle: "Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand."

Certain doubters have drawn from this statement that Paul had weak eyes and was therefore obliged to write in "large" characters.

In my judgment this assumption is far-fetched and has no factual basis. This same school of doubters refer also to Galatians 4:15 where Paul says that out of affection for himself the Galatians "would have plucked out their eyes and have given them to me."

To show to what abnormal extremes men will carry their personal views and prejudices, I will quote a statement written and circulated by a certain New York minister who has an aversion to the ministry of healing:

"The fact is — Paul was sick. He was the sickest of men. He had one of the worst and most painful of oriental diseases. He had opthalmia — a disease of the eyes. The proof that he had it is overwhelming. He tells us he had a 'thorn in the flesh' ...

"When Paul stood before them his eyes filled with unspeakable pus - unspeakable-looking matter running down over his face ... Why would they have digged out their eyes for him except that his eyes, as he stood before them, were a pitiable and appealing sight to them - as the eyes of anyone with opthalmia are? The particular pain of this disease is that it is like a 'stake' in the eyes ...

"It is beyond dispute that Paul was a sick man. He says so himself. Paul did not get this disease by infection. How did he get it? Jesus Christ gave it to him. Paul did not want to be sick. In the quivering flesh and painful suffering of His apostle, the Lord has written His Divine protest against this unspeakable doctrine, this brutal transmutation of the cross of Christ into a center of physical healing.'

By this method we can make the Scriptures teach anything we want them to teach. As a matter of fact, you can make the Bible say anything you want to say, if you don't read too much.

Every false religion can be reconciled with the Bible if you take a passage here and a passage there and cement them together. Someone has said, "when you take a text out of the context, it becomes a pretext."

Don't tell me that Paul stood there before King Agrippa with yellow, stinking matter, corruption and pus, running down his cheeks. Don't tell me that Paul was a sniffling creature that kept his coat sleeve slick by rubbing festering corruption out of his eyes.

#### The Thorn

No doubt Paul got the phrase "thorn in the flesh" from Numbers 33:55. where we read that the inhabitants of the land of Canaan, at the time of the Joshua invasion, were like "pricks in your eyes and thorns in your sides" to "vex you in the land wherein ye dwell."

Here the term "thorns" is used to describe the Canaanites who were living in the promised land at the time that Joshua led the children of Israel across the river Jordan. The Canaanites were



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"thorns" because of their attitude toward the children of Israel.

Notice the term "thorns" is made to represent personalities.

Referring again to the Canaanites, Joshua said in the book that bears his name, 23:13, "Know for a certainty that the Lord your God will no more drive out any of these nations from before you; but they shall be snares and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes." Again the term "thorns" refers to personali-

In Proverbs 15:19 Solomon says: "The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns." Here we find that the term "thorns" in the Scriptural sense refers to personalities.

In Judges 2:3 we read: "Wherefore I also said, I will not drive them out from before you; but they shall be as thorns in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare unto you." Once more we find that the term "thorns" is used to describe personalities.

In none of these circumstances do the references to "pricks in your eyes" and "thorns in your sides" refer to a disease of the eyes. Be loyal to the Scriptural context and you will find there is no basis for assuming that the common Israelitish phrase "thorn in the flesh" ever refers to a disease.

Paul actually tells us what this thorn was. He said that it was a "messenger from Satan."

The term "messenger" immediately indicates a personality and this is true to the Scriptural context in which "thorns" are referred to as personalities. In other words, Satan had sent a demon to "buffet" Paul.

The root word which is translated "messenger" in this Scripture is the same as the root word for "demon." Demons are wicked spirits, ambassadors, emissaries, messengers of Satan. In other words, Paul's thorn was a demon.

Because of his knowledge of demon power and due to the fact that he knew what it was to have to deal with a Satanic messenger, he could write in Ephesians 6:12, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high

Paul knew what it was to wrestle consciously in prayer against demon forces. He knew that the weapons of his warfare were not carnal. In his preaching, teaching and healing he dealt with principalities and powers.

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#### Scars

Yes, Paul had scars. Not sore eyes, but scars. He was preaching in Lystra when wicked Jews from Antioch came and stirred up the community against him. He was dragged outside the city and stoned. He was left for dead with blood pouring from his wounds, his unconscious body thrust over a pile of

Other disciples gathered around him for prayer. After a time he got up. They dressed his bleeding wounds and he went into the city and preached. In a few days he continued his missionary journey with Barnabas.

Scars, yes, Paul had scars, but no sore eves.

In Philippi a mob assembled. Paul and his colleague Silas were thrown into prison. Their clothes were removed and their backs were beaten with the lash. While in stocks that night in prison they put on a prayer meeting.

While they were singing, the foundations began to slide out from beneath the jail. The prisoners were released. The jailer knew that if the prisoners escaped, it would cost him his life. He was about to kill himself when Paul got to him.

"What must I do to be saved?" he cried out. Paul answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." It was only a few minutes until the jailer did his stripe-washing. He washed the bleeding, wounded backs of the two traveling preachers.

Scars, yes, Paul had scars, but no sore eyes.

At Ephesus, God "wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul." Certainly if Paul had had pus and corruption running out of his eyes, he would not have been able to inspire the faith of the Ephesians.

We read that handkerchiefs and aprons were anointed by Paul. These gar-ments were placed on the sick and their diseases were healed. Who would have wanted to place a handkerchief on a sick body if it had come from a sniffling man with pus running out of his eyes? They would have burned the handkerchief to have kept it from spreading the disease.

Paul was ship wrecked on an island. Everybody on board was drenching wet. The little crowd huddled together around a fire which had been made from a bundle of sticks.



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Calmly enough he shook the reptile off into the flames. The people expected him to swell up black and blue or fall dead, but God delivered him from the poison of the viper.

Scars, yes, Paul had scars, but no sore eyes.

#### **Doubt your Doubts**

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The carnal mind seeks for loopholes constantly to justify its doubts. Doubts are dangerous. When doubt comes in, faith goes out.

Peter was walking on the waves and the rolling sea was as solid as a cement sidewalk until he got his eyes off of the Christ and on to the waves. He doubted. He thought, "What if I should sink?" And at that instant, he sank.

A negative faith never got anything from God. Faith to be effective must be positive. Doubts destroy faith. God cannot do much through an "if." Assume the positive mental and spiritual attitude when you pray.

Some doubters say they believe God wants them to be sick. Then let them quit taking medicine, for in the event of a cure, it would take them out of God's will.

Psychologically, the idea that God wants you to be sick is unsound. It tends to produce inertia. If disease is gnawing at you, and you become passive to it, thus following the line of least resistance, it will only be a short time until you will be conquered. Assume the positive. God works only through faith. Many a Christian's faith has been shipwrecked on the rocks of doubt.

Don't believe your doubts and don't doubt your beliefs.

Don't allow Paul's thorn to interfere with your faith. Don't crucify your faith on a cross of thorns. Don't look at God's promises through Paul's sore eyes, for I do not believe Paul's eyes were ever sore.

Don't hang your faith on a thorn. Don't puncture your faith with a thorn of doubt. Don't sacrifice your faith on an altar of thistles.

Even Jesus could not work miracles in a city of doubt. He was on a great preaching and healing tour when He came to the city of Nazareth. In neighboring cities He had cleansed the lepers, raised the dead, healed the sick, opened blind eyes and had unstopped ears that had been closed.

Finally He came to Nazareth, His old home town. He was greeted with doubt. The city rejected His Deity. They believed only in His humanity. "Is not this the carpenter's son?" they asked.

They were looking for an excuse to doubt and they found it. The carnal mind seeks for loopholes. The people in Nazareth had not heard about Paul's thorn or Job's boils, so they doubted the Lord's Deity.

The Lord Himself could not do mighty works there because of their unbelief.

The writer of the Hebrews says, "Without faith it is impossible to please God."

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#### A BRAIN TAPE RECORDER

The Psalmist was amazed at the complexity of the human body. Had he lived in our time when so much more is known concerning our anatomy, he would have been even more devoted to praise.

Dr. Wilder Penfield, a famed neurosurgeon, has performed experiments to show that the brain is like an audiovideo recorder that records all details that a person sees or hears.

Under electrical impulse, events long "forgotten" come to the surface and people relive and even "see" again things that are beyond conscious memory.

Dr. Penfield says: "Hidden away in the brain is a record of the stream of consciousness. It seems to hold the detail of that stream as laid down during each man's waking, conscious hours. Contained in this record are all the things of which the individual was once aware."

An electrode touching the brain in the temple area will "replay" the event recorded at that place and the patient will see and hear and even speak again the event "forgotten."

The things we think about and put into the mind become a part of us that stays with us throughout life. No wonder Paul advised us to think on things good, pure, lovely and just (Philippians 4:8).

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WAS GLAD when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

-Psalm 122:1.

In this actual world, a churchless community, a community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their religious needs, is a community on the rapid down grade.



"They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my words."

-Jeremiah 11:10.



Church work and church attendance mean the cultivation of the habit of feeling some responsibility for others.



Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

-Matthew 25:40.



There are enough holidays for most of us. Sundays differ from other holidays in the fact that there are fifty-two of them every year. Therefore on Sunday go to church.



Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

-Psalm 23:6.



Yes, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator in a grove of trees, or by a running brook, or in a man's own house just as well as in church. But I also know as a matter of cold fact the average man does not thus worship.

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As children of God it behooves each of us to make a special effort to worship Him, in the church of our choice ... not just on Easter or Christmas, but as often as the doors are opened.

It is not enough to read the Word. We must hear it expounded, and at the same time commune with fellow believers in the exchange of ideas, thus assuring proper nourishment and growth of our souls.

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our

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-Psalm 95:6.



He may not hear a good sermon at church but he will hear a sermon by a good man who, with his good wife, is engaged all the week in making hard lives a little easier.



And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs.

-Ecclesiastes 12:9.



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Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

-Psalm 119:11.

He will take part in singing some good hymns.



Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.

-Psalm 149:5.

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He will meet and nod or speak to good, quiet neighbors.

A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

-Proverbs 18:24.

He will come away feeling a little more charitable toward all the world, even toward those excessively foolish young men who regard church-going as a soft performance.

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, it not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

-I Corinthians 13:4-7.



I advocate a man's joining in church work for the sake of showing his faith by his works.

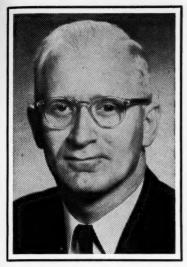
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-James 2:17.

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# COMMUNIST Brain Washing

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COMMUNISTS, in their onward march to conquer mankind, are not only using as their weapons of warfare the gun and the sword, but they are also using the mind. They know that in the end, it is always necessary to have control over the thoughts of the people that you conquer, and that if you can enslave people in the absence of warfare, then the victory will be that much greater.

There are many ways through which the Communists seek to capture and control the mind. One is to direct the thought through so-called democratic group discussion in self-criticism meetings. Another is on the operating table, and another the hypnotist chamber.

For years now, the Communists have made the people under their dominion believe what they so desire. Beria once said, "If God Himself was sitting in that chair, we would make Him say what we wanted Him to say."

In America now, with the new drive for so-called cultural and educational exchange with Soviet Russia, the groundwork is rapidly being laid for the Communists to capture the minds of our youth through the bringing in of Soviet teachers, music, motion pictures and radio, and television programs.

It is a well-known fact that what is imprinted in the minds of children in their early years will have a tremendous impact upon them throughout the rest of their life. Lenin once said, "Give us one generation of American youth, and the revolution will be already won."

Throughout our school system in America at present, the drive is on to mold our youth into one pattern, one that calls for one-world government, one-world Church and one-world race. Slowly but surely, we are seeing the youth of our land adjusting themselves to this idea through the abolishment of Bible reading, prayer and Christmas carols in our schools.

Through the teaching of evolution and UNESCO ideals of world government, and through integration and interracial dances, we are beginning to see a new type of American citizen emerge — one void of loyalty to Christ and country.

#### "Brothers"

The other day I picked up a National Parent-Teacher Magazine for February 1957, in which they had an article called, 'That People Shall Live as One Family of Man.' It called upon the parents to teach their children to understand that we may choose our friends, our husbands and wives, but that our brothers are bestowed upon us, and that

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whether we like it or not, whatever our brother may be, whatever he may do, he is still our brother and therefore we must be united in true brotherly fellowship to the Communistic one-third of the earth.

On the surface, this may seem like a sweet thought, but underneath it is a subtle theory of anti-christ — one which would help in lulling us to sleep so that the Kremlin gang could finish their drive to liquidate Christian civilization.

Our Bible firmly teaches that we are not to have an affinity with the antichrist, and that our brother is only he that does the will of the Father, or is born into the family of God through water and the Spirit.

But little children who do not know their Bibles can easily be brain washed into believing this as the truth. Much is being said about the improving of our educational system, but we need not invite Russian teachers here to accomplish this job, inasmuch as we have already sixteen thousand or more antichrist teachers holding down jobs in our educational institutions.

In one school in Gardenia, California, a teacher told the class that if he could drive the belief in God out of the minds of his students, he would feel that he had made a worthy contribution to mankind.

#### Strange Teachings

In the Denver area, students in one school are taught to play a game called "Ghost," something like "Hide-and-seek," and the one that is "it" is called the Holy Ghost.

In another school near Santa Ana, California, the students are taught to sing about a peanut who went up to heaven and did not like it there, so was cast into hell, where he had real enjoyment. At this same school, the little children were taught suggestive songs concerning the anatomy of a female.

The other day in the Englewood, Colorado area, a professor said that if the students would get down to business and study so that we could beat Russia in her drive for knowledge, he would grant them the privilege of having Rock and Roll dance sessions during the noon hour. Now the students

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go into these wild-eyed jam sessions with some of the teachers, and one is a local woman whose main hobby is the bar room, although she is a secretary in the school.

In New York and many other areas of the country, white girls have been raped in classrooms and in the gym, and students are carrying guns, knives, knuckles and dope. Juvenile crime has reached an all time high, and only in the past few weeks has the nation been shocked by a young man killing eleven people, and by the expose of the dope and sex orgies that have been unveiled in at least seven states.

#### **Subliminal Advertising**

On top of this disheartening news comes the revelation of a new art of brain washing being practiced by the anti-christ forces called, 'Subliminal Advertising,' which is now being tried out in California, New York and Louisiana by two companies - one is called the Subliminal Projection Company, and the other Experimental Films, Incorporated. They have created a device whereby they can project on a television or movie screen advertisements or writing which cannot be seen by the conscious eye. You can watch a picture and never know that this other is going on.

So far it has been tried with Coca Cola and popcorn. While the viewer does not know that this is being projected into his subconscious mind, he begins to have a great craving for the product which is being advertised, unknown to him. In movie houses where it has been tried out, they have sold out their stock of popcorn.

While this may seem a harmless little bit of trick advertising to begin with, the penetrating of the subconscious mind by this device may be the very instrument the anti-christ powers need to bring masses under their control by injecting subversive propaganda.

It is now known that from an earth satellite, there is a possibility of the Russian government controlling radio and television programs. Could it not be also possible that they could inject this unseen propaganda and do devastating harm?

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It is now believed by many of our Washington authorities that this subliminal advertising may be definitely used by the Communists in their plans to conquer the minds of our nation. In a report handed to the Senate leaders and Dr. James B. Killan, President Eisenhower's Space-Age Advisor on Science and Technology, by a committee making a research on this line, they

"We must assume the possibility of a breakthrough in the control and attitudes and beliefs of human beings through exceptional effective educational techniques or drugs or subliminal stimulation or manipulation of motives or some as yet unrecognized medium."

It further stated that this could possibly be carried on by a Russian earth satellite station broadcasting subliminal or invisible messages to control man's

This form of brain washing which is nothing more nor less than the deadly weapon of hypnosis, is truly an instrument in the hands of anti-christ forces in the drive to conquer the minds of men. Hypnotism is a wicked thing, no matter how it is used. No one has the right to use his conscious mind to plant the seeds of thought into the emotions of another. This system could be classified under no other name than mental

The old belief of no one being able to hypnotize another against his will has been disproved. A person need only be taken when he is completely relaxed and off-guard or when he is too weary to realize what is happening, to be placed under a hypnotic spell.

Truly, we can say that we are living in a period when the battle is on for the minds of men, and never before has there been an hour when man should have his mind centered in Christ so firmly that the darts and arrows of anti-christ thought might beat against the rock of faith in Christ to no avail.

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#### ATTRIBUTES TO CULTIVATE

Many individuals go about from day to day criticizing and condemning their fellow man, and never take stock of their own weak points. If these same persons would cultivate the attributes listed below, they would be amazed at how rapidly the faults of those around them would melt away.

- 1. Be kind to all.
- 2. Try to make others happy.
- 3. Never indulge in gossip.
- 4. Never forget the respect due to old age.

- 5. Think of others before self.
- 6. Do not boast of your own deeds.
- 7. Never cause pain if you can help
- 8. Do not make fun of the peculiarities of others.
- 9. Be agreeable to social inferiors.
- 10. Do not have two sets of manners - one for company and one for home use.
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# EVE AND THE APPLE

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TOO MANY PEOPLE know too many things about the Bible that are not true. A scientific man once offered a large sum of money to any one who could find one scientific error in the Bible. One enthusiastic critic wrote back and said, "The Bible says Eve ate the apple and we now know that apples didn't grow in that part of the world. Please send me the money."

The scientific man who was defending the Bible wrote and asked where the man found the verse which said Eve ate an apple. The critic finally replied that he had searched for weeks and couldn't find the verse but he knew it was in the Bible. In fact, he said, "Everybody knows that." Of course it isn't in the Bible. Eve ate "fruit" but the Bible does not indicate what kind.

I said in a recent issue of my publication, Bible News Flashes, that there is no record in the Bible that man ever observed the Sabbath until the people of Israel left Egypt, some 2500 years after the days of Adam.

Immediately several people wrote me that God gave man the Sabbath in the second chapter of Genesis so they are sure it was always observed. Let's set the record straight by ascertaining exactly what the Bible says instead of "reading into it" our own opinions. We make the following observations.

#### The Sabbath

- 1. The word, "Sabbath" is not mentioned anywhere in the book of Genesis. It is not mentioned until 2500 years after the days of Adam and Eve.
- 2. In Genesis 2:2 it says, "On the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day." Here it was God Who rested - not man.
- 3. There is no record that during the first 2500 years of human history God ever commanded man to "keep the Sabbath." Nor is there any record that man attempted to keep a sabbath during that period.

There is no doubt that the body needs rest and that a day of rest is beneficial physically - also spiritually, if properly employed. However, at the time indicated in Genesis 2:2,3 when God had finished His creative work, man was an unfallen creature with a body that never grew tired.

Had sin not entered, Adam and Eve would have been alive on earth today in that same body. It never needed

"rest." There was no "sin" in the human race at the time when it says God rested on the seventh day. The word "rested" as used concerning God simply meant since He had finished His creative work He "ceased" creating. It doesn't mean "rest" in the sense that He was tired, since the eternal God never grows weary. It certainly doesn't mean that God rested because He was worn out after six days of creative

God's rest ended when sin entered the human race. He had His "redemptive" work to do. This was accomplished when Christ died for our sins and arose from the dead.

There were three Sabbaths in a row when Christ died and was buried. The Lord worked on all of those Sabbaths — worked to pay the penalty for our sins, and "In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week" (Matthew 28:1) Christ arose from the dead.

He worked on the seventh day because man had "sinned" and this made it necessary for the Lord to continue His "creative work" in the "new creation." Having finished His "redemptive work" - the "week" of bondage to sin had ended and the first day of the week became the time for proclaiming His victory over sin and death.

Now He could proclaim "liberty" to all who would trust in His finished work of redemption. For this reason the disciples and Christ's followers in general assembled themselves together on the "first day" of the week. This practice has continued from apostolic times to the present.

In the Calvary transaction Christ was "blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross ... Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ." (Colossians 2:14-17)

By his own sin man destroyed God's "sabbath." By paying the penalty for man's sin God destroyed man's Sab-bath, which was only a "shadow" of the true. Now the believer can have his

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sabbath of "rest" in the finished work of Calvary's Lamb.

#### Keeping the Sabbath

But someone says, "I believe in keeping the Sabbath." All right, this is what you'll have to do.

You'll have to remain inactive one day in seven, i.e. on Saturday, which is the "sabbath" day. You will also have to observe all of the other "sabbath" days which included the Old Testament feasts and their observance.

Every seventh year you must let your land - farm or garden lie idle. Every seventh year you must refrain from mowing your lawn or pulling any weeds that grow in your garden. Every 49th and 50th year you must do the same for two years in succession.

One violation of the Sabbatic laws brings the "death penalty." If you have had one violation during all your life time you are under the penalty of death if you are trying to be saved by keeping the Sabbath.

If you have walked a mile or more on any Saturday in your life you have broken the Sabbath. If you have placed a shovel of coal in your furnace or a stick of wood in the stove on any Saturday in your life, you have broken the Sabbath. If you have broken it just once, it's now too late to try to save yourself. You are already under the death penalty for Sabbath breaking.

But you can't keep the Sabbath without reinstituting Old Testament tabernacle or temple worship. First you must reinstitute the Old Testament priesthood. You must get your priests from the tribe of Levi. With the tribes of Israel lost or scattered, how are you going to identify those who will be qualified for the priesthood? How are you going to trace the right High Priest down through the past 1900 years when there are no genealogical records? And if you don't have the right priest and High Priest your worship is vain.

In addition to this, if you are to keep the Sabbath you'll have to reinstitute Temple worship. You must rebuild the Temple with its outer court, its holy place and its holy of holies. You must sacrifice the lambs as commanded in the Old Testament in connection with keeping the Sabbaths.

You must keep all of the seven Old Testament feasts — they were all called "sabbaths" and the command to keep them was just as definite as the command to keep the seventh day.

If you could rebuild the Temple in the United States, it would be against the law to worship as the Israelites did in the Old Testament times. They had a "court of the Gentiles" and Gentiles were forbidden to enter the holy place. That is "discrimination." Our United States Supreme Court has ruled against

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It is against the law to "discriminate" against racial groups as the Israelites did in their worship, and as God com-manded them to do. You'd have God's command going against the command of our Supreme Court and you'd wind up in jail - as some already have here for "discrimination." Since you can't keep the Sabbath without the Temple or tabernacle, and since there are none today - built upon that plan, how can you "keep" the Sabbath?

You say, "Under these circumstances nobody could keep the Sabbath." How true! Nobody ever kept it - fully.

It brought the "death penalty" upon the heads of all who attempted to keep it. Therefore Christ had to purchase our redemption and free us from the law of sin and death.

On the first day of the week came liberty. The Lord had triumphed over the groaning of the Old Creation. We may become new creatures by placing our faith in the Calvary transaction, the Christ Who purchased our redemption. Then we are free from the law of sin and death.

If you are trying to save yourself by "keeping" the Sabbath, cease from your striving, and trust Christ. In Him you'll find "rest."

"There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his." (Hebrews 4:9.10)

#### A Gift of God

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast." (Ephesians 2:8,9).

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self is common to the world. People think God keeps a big ledger and if the good deeds on one side outweigh the bad deeds on the other side, God lets them into Heaven. Nothing could be further from the truth.

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One single violation of God's law for one fleeting moment will damn the soul for all eternity. How then, can anybody be saved? Only through faith in Christ.

The Scriptures are clear that salvation is by grace through faith; it is a gift of God; it is not of ourselves, and not of works.

But with the press, radio, movie industry, TV and ten thousand false religions, all teaching that man can save himself by his own efforts, it is difficult to get men to see that they must stop trying to save themselves and trust Christ. He alone can save, and He can save only those who will trust Him.

Note: Since writing the above article in which I said that the word "rest" in Genesis two simply meant that God "ceased" from his creating work, I have checked "Young's Literal Translation of the Holy Bible," by Robert Young, author of Analytical Concordance to the Bible. His "literal translation" confirms what I have said. I quote:

"And the heavens and the earth are completed, and all their host; and God completeth by the the seventh day His work which He hath made, and ceaseth by the seventh day from all His work which He hath made.

"And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctifieth it, for in it He hath ceased from all his work which God had prepared for making." (Genesis 2:1-3)

There is no hint of "rest" in the original Hebrew or when accurately translated. Those who try to find the Sabbath day in Genesis 2:1-3 are basing their claims on a false translation—the idea that God became tired and "rested" on the seventh day. He did not rest. He "ceased" His work of creating because it was finished.

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In the network of alleged Communists and Communist-fronters, many individuals have been sadly neglected in getting publicity. Here is one such individual whom American history should never forget.

MOST AMERICANS have never heard of Oetje John Rogge, a New York lawyer, but they have heard of many of the people he served as legal mouthpiece — people convicted as the worst Judas Iscariots and Benedict Arnolds in American history.

For some reason no committee seems to have seriously investigated him. The Rosenbergs were sent to the chair in spite of Rogge and world-wide Communist protests. David Greenglass, Ethel Rosenberg's brother whose turning of state's evidence in the atomic spy case sent his own sister and brother-in-law to death, is doing a 30 year stretch in the pen. Greenglass got a lot of publicity but Rogge, his lawyer, seems to have remained strictly in the shadows. The big, 6 foot 4 lawyer's seeming willingness to let his clients leap into the limelight while he appears to have an aversion for publicity has been carefully noted in many of his cases.

One might question Rogge's ability, seeing that many of those he counsels or assists wind up in such out-of-the-way places as Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary. Ability or no ability, Communists and atom spies who get caught monkeying with our affairs seem to naturally gravitate in his direction. Just why this is so and the New Yorker should be a sort of legal "Mr. Big" to enemies of America is a matter for conjecture.

Rogge, whose name was pronounced "Rogue" by a defendant he tried to convict in one case, has not always been sensitive to publicity. It has been since he became a *Defense* lawyer that he has been so modest. When he was a prosecutor, or "persecutor," as a preacher called him, he filled the papers with his thunderous pronouncements.

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Take the Sedition Trial, for instance. One of the most celebrated cases in history, this trial found Rogge doing the prosecuting as Assistant Attorney General of the United States.

How the New York man managed to become an Assistant Attorney General is itself a matter for investigation. Francis Biddle, known as quite a "parlor pink" himself, was Attorney General, Dean Acheson was Secretary of State and Alger Hiss, Rogge and many others, all graduates of the Harvard Law School, descended on Washington and occupied high government positions. They were known as the "Hot Dog Boys" because Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter had been their professor at Harvard and was generally credited with being their master-mind and job-getter.

A politico-legal hot dog himself, Frankfurter had been attorney for the convicted and executed murderers, the anarchists Sacco and Vanzetti and for the Communist, Tom Mooney. President Theodore Roosevelt let loose with resounding warning blasts against Frankfurter, who has a long record astorney for Red-fronters. It was but natural that his Harvard students should be cast from the master's mold.

In the Sedition Trial in 1944, Rogge, in collaboration with Theron Lamar Caudle, also Assistant Attorney General, was to do the prosecution work. Observers believed Frankfurter to be scheming out the strategy. Caudle, incidentally, drew a five year prison stretch recently for income tax fraud while he was in office.

#### The First Indictment

The first Sedition indictment accused certain individuals and organizations of

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being practically treasonable. It named such groups as the Coalition of American Patriotic Societies, including the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, etc. If the Sedition defendants were convicted in this guinea-pig test trial the way was open to round up and convict every patriotic or anti-Communist group. All that was needed was a precedent.

The defendants — 30 of them — included ministers, newspapermen, anti-Communist labor organizers, writers and war veterans. To give the trial a pro-German flavor six members of the German-American Bund were thrown in — obviously to prejudice a jury in time of war.

Most of the defendants had never seen or heard of one another yet they were charged with conspiring in the District of Columbia, so they could be tried there. Several proved they had never been in Washington until brought there for trial. Some were Democrats, some Republicans. Others were socialists. Some had means and others poor while a majority were Christians and a few of no religion. They had one thing in common — they were all against America getting into World War II to help Russia and they were all against Communism.

It was easy to see who the Justice Department, through Rogge, was really trying to imprison, under the pretext of "sedition" — American citizens who had spoken or written influentially against Communism, against Stalin and against entry into a war that would certainly build up Soviet Russia and make her the power she is today.

#### A Shocking Affair

The affair shocked many Americans. Republicans and Democrats in the Sen-

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#### Rogge and Kent Place Wreath on Reed Grave

By the Associated Press

MOSCOW, Mar. 10.—O. John Rogge, former United States Assistant Attorney General, and Rockwell Kent, American artist, placed a wreath today on the grave of John Reed, one of the founders of the American Communist Party, who was buried on Red Square at the Kremlin wall.

Rogge and Kent are here as delegates of the Permanent Committee of the World Congress for the Defense of Peace.

The inscription on the wreath laid at Reed's grave read:

"In loving memory from grateful Americans."

ate and Congress delivered fiery speeches on it while extreme leftists in both houses encouraged the Justice Department, "where justice is dispensed." One congressman said, "dispensed with." The famed theologian and preacher, Dr. W. B. Riley, president of Northwestern Theological Seminary, said of it:

"I count the Washington trial of socalled 'Seditionists' the most palpable attack on free thought and free speech that America has ever experienced. I am glad that at last by Divine Providence, justice has triumphed and the smearers who brought about that burlesque are being properly pilloried."

Catholic priests like Father Terminello and Father Curran joined in to blast the trial of people whose only "crime" was that they were against Communism.

The defendants, far from home, un-

derwent fierce hardships, some of them thrown into jail, the poorer ones unable to earn a living due to being under indictment. Some went hungry while well-fed Soviet army officers, in Washington on war business, attended the trial and watched the proceedings with keen interest.

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Elmer J. Garner, an 80 year old Kansas newspaperman, tried to exist on a nickel cup of coffee and two doughnuts a day. He died during the trial. Senator Langer, amazed at such cruelty, said in a Senate speech:

"Held in the District Jail for several weeks for lack of bond fees and finally impoverished by three indictments and forced trips and stays in Washington, Garner died alone in a Washington rooming house with 40 cents in his pocket. His body was shipped naked in a wooden box to his ailing, impoverished widow, his two suits and typewriter being held, so that clothing had to be purchased for his funeral."

Other defendants died later. Several were kept for days at a time in a "bull pen" under the courtroom where they were thrown in with hardened criminals. The small room contained a wood bench, a toilet loaded with filth and cigarette butts, and no drinking water. At noon they received one bun with one slice of bologna.

And that was in the Capital of the United States under an elaborate courtroom where Rogge was trying to convict enemies of Communism. Various newspapers who got word of the case at acked it as a "Moscow Trial" and compared Rogge to Andrei Vishinsky, the Russian prosecutor who sent Stalin's enemies to death. Two of the three Washington papers ridiculed the case and fairly reported it while the third, the Washington Post, which had helped smear the defendants suddenly switched half way in the proceedings, withdrew its correspondent and criticized the Justice Department.



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None of the defendants left alive were convicted and Chief Justice Bolitha J. Laws later, in sharp criticism of the Justice Department, branded the case "a travesty upon justice."

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An example of Rogge's fanaticism and lack of sportsmanship occurred when a defendant was dismissed by the trial judge. On his attorney's approval he put out his hand in the best American tradition and said, "I bear you no malice."

Rogge, who had been talking to a pro-Communist P.M. reporter, turned, his face contorted with anger, refused to shake hands and growled, "I have no more use for you than I have for these other Fascists."

Leon Trotsky, the Red Army butcher, described a Fascist as "any person opposed to Communism."

In the Congressional Record of the 79th Congress, the Committee on Un-American Activities reported:

"No person is able to estimate how many lives were lost through the strikes of ... two plants (Allis-Chalmers and North American Aviation) which are officially known to have been sponsored by ... avowed members of the Communist Party. It is hard to believe such treasonable and seditious acts have never received the attention of the proper Government agency that is charged with such responsibility. However, this same agency did find time to prosecute 30 native Americans who were charged with Sedition, and a trial covering 8 months and costing hundreds of thousands of dollars was conducted to convict these persons. This Department now admits that they have no concrete evidence against these so-called 'native Fascists'."

#### Dismissal

After the Sedition Trial fiasco the Justice Department dismissed Rogge. Walter Winchell, the commentator who

had been boosting Rogge, screamed into the microphone, "The Justice Department blew its own brains out!" Winchell seems to have had a change of heart about Communists since then and is now presented to TV audiences as a sort of benevolent old gentleman who, while he may peek through a keyhole now and then, really has everyone's best interests at heart.

Ex-prosecutor Rogge's later activities have been self-evident. In 1947 he was in Washington as attorney for 16 members of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, one of the worst Red fronts. All were convicted.

On November 10, 1947, in a speech in Los Angeles to C.I.O. labor unions, he attacked the system of loyalty checks on Government employees and demanded abolition of the Committee on un-American Activities.

On December 27, 1947 he was in Washington as counsel for Harold R. Christoffel, the Wisconsin Communist leader and official of the United Auto Workers union. Christoffel was convict-

On March 8, 1950, press dispatches from Moscow said Rogge was Stalin's guest in the Kremlin and had delivered a speech there. He reportedly decorated the tomb of John Reed, founder of the American Communist Party, buried in the Kremlin, with a wreath inscribed, "In loving memory from grateful Americans." (See clipping, page 22)

More recently the New Yorker has served as counsel for attorneys charged with contempt in Judge Medina's court, where top level Communists stood trial. He was New York state manager for Henry Wallace's ill-starred presidential campaign and defended atom spy Greenglass.

LIFE magazine, publishing a list of those it called "Red-Fronters" who attended a big dinner at the Waldorf in

honor of visiting Soviet notables, carried Rogge's name and picture.

Under the heading, "U.S. Notables Back Red Meet," the Los Angeles Times, April 10, 1949, carried the following story on page one:

"Communist parties all over Europe centered their propaganda today on a 'world peace congress' to be held in Paris April 20-23. Two thousand leftist 'intellectuals' from 32 countries are to attend the congress, Frederick Joliot-Curie, in charge of arrangements, announced. Joliot-Curie, a Communist, is France's Commissioner for Atomic En-

'Congress officials said that comedian Charlie Chaplin will be among the delegates. They listed as among American sponsors former Asst. Attorney General O. John Rogge, artist Rockwell Kent, poet Louis Untermeyer, author Howard Fast, radio commentator Johannes Steel, band leader Artie Shaw and Rabbi J. X. Cohen.'

Rogge helped draw up the Stockholm Peace Pact which was denounced by investigators as one of the cleverest pieces of Communist propaganda ever pulled on Americans.

Perhaps all of these activities of the lawyer, his association with so many Reds, the uncanny way in which they know right where to find him when in legal trouble, and his merciless prosecution of the Sedition defendants, are merely coincidental. Then again, perhaps they are not. In any event, if Soviet nuclear bombs some day wipe out millions of Americans, it will be largely because of the atom spies and traitors a lawyer from New York so ably defended.

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# THE WELFARE STATE IN ACTION

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Editor's Note: Mr. Flynn is a noted lecturer, radio commentator and author of many books, including The Decline of the American Republic, The Road Ahead, While You Slept and The Smear Terror.

THIS IS an election year — a congressional election year. And as usual in election years, the air is full of promises. Promises are what politicians live by — promises of all the wonderful things they will give to the people who elect them, if the people will just give the politicians enough tax money.

But politicians running for office don't talk about the tax money — only the promises!

At the moment our Republican President is having a contest with our Democratic Congress to see which can make the biggest promises — of more social security, more unemployment insurance, more veterans' benefits, more oldage assistance, more aid to education, more public housing, more of this, that and the other thing.

Lump all these together and you have what is known as the "welfare state." And our politicians are having a contest as to which ones can promise, and run better, an even bigger welfare state.

This might be a good time, therefore, to take a look at another welfare state which has been in full operation now for nearly a decade. The Socialists put a welfare state into operation in Great Britain nearly ten years ago.

Of course, England has a so-called Conservative government now, but it has done nothing to disturb the welfare state begun by the Socialists. The Conservatives in England, like our "modern" Republicans here, try to out-so-

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The Socialists, of course, sold the welfare state to the people of England with the idea that it would give them "free" medical care, "free" pensions, "free" housing and so on. But it turned out that none of it was free.

Governments have nothing to give. They can only take away — and then give back part of what they have taken.

So heavy taxes had to be imposed on the people of England to pay for the various government "insurance" schemes. But the people were told they mustn't mind paying the taxes, because the government could provide "security" — from the cradle to the grave — so much better for them than they could for themselves.

But now — ten years later — it turns out that even these heavy taxes are not enough to keep the welfare-state scheme going. As a result, Britain has to dip into general revenues — and today, nearly sixty cents out of every dollar collected in taxes goes for this welfare-statism.

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An Englishman, through a sense of duty and integrity, takes care of his aged or ailing parents. A lazy neighbor turns his aged parents over to the government to take care of — with the taxes of the first Englishman.

In other words, an Englishman with a sense of honor finds himself contributing not only to the support of his own parents but to the support of the parents of many other shiftless Englishmen. It isn't long before he decides that he, too, will get on the government gravy train.

It is this sort of thing which is turning what was once the greatest trading nation in the world into a third — or fourth-class power.

A young immigrant got a job making pistons in a British factory. He worked hard and made a lot of pistons. He was taking home more pay to his family than the other workers. They called him on the carpet and found him guilty of overwork! He was ordered to turn over his extra pay to the union sick fund. He refused — and got kicked out of the union — and out of his job.

This explains why England is losing many of her markets to West Germany, which is operating under a free-enterprise system in which hard work and self-reliance are things to be proud of, while Britain's welfare state puts a premium on slothfulness and laziness.

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# GUATEMALA

GUATEMALA has been repeatedly called "The Tropical Switzerland" because of the magnificence of its mountain scenery. Its monuments of a past civilization, and a contemporaneous native life more colorful than anywhere in the world today, have given it the name of "The Egypt of America." Its remarkably agreeable climate has caused still others to call it "Land of Eternal Spring."

None of the above titles, however, convey the absorbing fascination that the country has for those who visit it.

Guatemala is small when compared with the United States (about the size of the State of Ohio), but ranks third among her five sister Central American Republics. Within her borders can be found more diverse fauna and flora, more monuments of an ancient civilization, a more colorful native life today, and more magnificent scenery than any other equal area in the world.

Over half of the more than 3-million inhabitants are of pure Indian stock, descendants of the Mayas. The remainder are of Spanish lineage or of mixed blood, both called *Ladinos*.

While located only a bare thousand miles north of the equator, the climate of Guatemala is surprisingly mild. There are no varying seasons. June is as delightful as September or January.

The mean monthly temperature throughout the year in Guatemala City only varies from 61 degrees Fahrenheit to 68 degrees. The highest temperature ever recorded by the National Meterological Observatory was 91 degrees on a sunny day in March. The lowest was 41 degrees on a night in February.

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#### "Land of Fruit and Flowers"

Guatemala is a land of fruit and flowers. Over seventy different varieties of fruits are grown there, including bananas, pineapples, mangoes and alligator pears. Many of the other tropical fruits have no English names.

Of flowers, northern favorites such as larkspur, snapdragons, zinnias, and many others, seem to grow more luxuriantly. Homes and garden walls are hidden under mantles of purple and red bougainvillia. Hydrangeas bloom the entire year, as well as gardenias, and orchids of every color.

A delicate white orchid, the Monja Blanca or White Nun, grows nowhere else and has become the national flower of Guatemala. Its snowy white clusters of flowers that are almost ethereal, are as beautiful in their way as the gorgeous plumage of the Quetzal, the national bird and symbol of Guatemala, which cannot live in captivity.

#### Coffee

Guatemala is preeminently a land of coffee, producing many millions of pounds annually. This plant grows only

under shade, from 1,500 to 6,000 feet above sea level. That grown on the higher levels is the best, and the rugged mountain slopes of Guatemala, which run up to above this higher limit, lend themselves particularly to its cultivation.

In May and June the sunlight trickles through the overhanging shade trees onto bushes higher than one's head that are a solid mass of pinkish white flowers. In September, some of the green berries lining the branches of the trees as thickly as peas in a pod turn deep claret, and picking begins.

Coffee does not ripen uniformly. A grove has to be picked and repicked, and it will be late in the year before the crop has been dried, hulled and prepared for market.

#### Historic Background

Guatemala is a land with a historic background that antedates the first English colony in America by over a hundred years. Don Pedro de Alvarado, a lieutenant of Cortez' in the conquest of Mexico, invaded what is now Guatemala in 1524. Dissensions among the three chief Mayan nations, the Quiches, Zutuhiles and Cackchiqueles, enabled Alvarado to play one against the other, overthrowing all three within a year, even though his force consisted of only 320 foot soldiers and 120 horsemen!

The first Spanish settlement, Ciudad Vieja, on the slope of a volcano, was founded in 1527, only 35 years after the discovery of America. The town was destroyed by a flood of mud and water from the crater of the volcano in 1541.

The next capital, now known as Antigua Guatemala, grew rapidly to a city of 60-thousand people, only exceed-

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ed in size and importance in the Americas by Lima and Mexico City. New York at the time was a mere country village.

Antigua Guatemala was partially destroyed by an earthquake in 1773 and a new capital built in the valley of La Ermita, the Guatemala City of today. The migration of an entire population of a city of 60-thousand inhabitants, with all their effects, across a high mountain range by the rough mountain trails of those days, is an epic in itself.

Central America declared its independence from Spain on September 15, 1821. The Federation of Provinces, of which Guatemala was a part, dissolved twenty years later, and the Republic was formed.

This is only a sketch of Guatemala... a brief record of her days as a kingdom, later as a colony of Spain, and of the stirring days of the birth and progress of modern Guatemala.

#### **Defender Work in Guatemala**

Before any group of Christian workers on foreign fields can unite with the Defenders movement, they must undergo a rigid screening. This involves a close scrutiny of their background, indoctrinating the workers in Defender methods and techniques, personal visits by either Dr. J. F. Rodriguez (Superintendent of Defender Spanish work in the West Indies) or Dr. Jose A. Hernandez (Superintendent of Defender Spanish work in the continental United States).

The Defenders missionary work is unique in that, in each instance, only native workers are utilized on the various fields. Consequently there are no expenditures of missionary funds for language study ... no loss of time involved in either study of a foreign tongue or becoming acquainted with the customs of the people to be reached with the Gospel of Christ.

The messengers chosen by our Lord and approved by Defender leaders carry the good news of salvation by faith to their own people. Puerto Ricans supervise the work on that Island; the Dominican Republic is being reached by Dominicans ... and in Guatemala a fine group of natives are now proving their mettle.

After the native workers have indi-

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ILA HASTINGS 577 PEARL EUGENE, OREGON cated a desire to become a part of the Defenders movement, there is an interim period in which they must labor on their own. They "prove" themselves ... both as to ability, sincerity and consecration.

While the brethren in Guatemala were passing through this phase of proving, Dr. J. F. Rodriguez, President of the Defenders Theological Seminary, located at Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, sent Rev. Gonzalo Davila, tentative head of the work in Guatemala, the following encouraging communication:

#### Dr. Rodriguez' Letter

Dear Brother Davila:

The moment in which the Defenders of the Christian Faith will begin to cooperate economically with the Guatemalan brethren draws near.

I have done all I could in transmitting information to the main office in Wichita. But they still need more details. For this reason, I suggest you send the following:

Brief biographical jottings of each laborer who is with you. This should include their dates of conversion, experience as pastors, etc.

Brief outlines concerning the works of each preacher, the village where he toils, etc.

More, and still more photographs of the work in Guatemala. Each picture will convey more than a thousand words!

Prepare all the above information in English, sending it to Wichita Headquarters. Dr. Winrod is planning to visit Central America this summer to see how the work is progressing, and he has invited me to accompany him.

Continue to pray for this project. Ask the brothers to remain faithful in their labors, relying on our blessed Lord for leadership.

Cordially yours,

/s/ J. F. Rodriguez

In the interim, Dr. Winrod, President and Founder of the Defenders of the Christian Faith, passed away. It was

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necessary to send in his stead, Dr. Jose Hernandez, a devoted and loyal Defender worker for the past twenty-four years. (For an eyewitness account of his tour of Central America, see the May Defender, pages 29 through 32.)

#### **Vicente Lopez**

While becoming acquainted with the various workers on the field, Dr. Hernandez could not help but marvel at the story of Vicente Lopez, pastor of the Church at Coatepeque City, Guatemala. (See photograph, page 27)

Coatepeque City has 6,500 inhabitants, and is situated in the southwestern corner of Guatemala, near the Pacific coast, not far from the Mexican border. It is centered in the midst of a large coffee-growing area.

To the casual observer, Brother Lopez is not an outstanding figure. Of definite Indian extraction, he is quite small in stature, stocky, his face lined with age, yet atop his head is a luxuriant crop of black hair, which belies his years.

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Prior to his conversion he was a government telegrapher, but is now retired, having turned sixty years of age. For the past several years he has devoted every spare moment to preaching the Gospel.

At present, services are held in his home, but a lot has been purchased and it is his dream that some day a Defender Church will grace the location. Mrs. Lopez has proved to be a wonderful asset to him in his Gospel labors.

Brother Lopez is a man of vision, with a compassionate heart. As he labored so fervently among his people in Coatepeque City, he could not help but wonder about natives in surrounding towns who did not have an opportunity to hear the Gospel.

After much prayer, he decided to appoint himself a missionary to his own people. Leaving his wife in charge of the local work, he set out, on foot to the next village where he began at once to testify of his Lord. It was not long until he had established a preaching point.

From this first location, he traveled yet further into the interior, still on foot... and on, and on, and on, covering a total distance of over 200 kilometers (120 American miles) until at last report there were ten new preach-

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A group of workers in Guatemala. To the far left stands Dr. Jose Hernandez. Rev. Gonzalo Davila is next in line ... and to the extreme right is Vicente Lopez, pastor in charge of the work at Coatepeque City. See details on this man, page 26).

ing points. And these are not easy miles, but rather the paths lead through thick jungle underbrush, up steep mountainsides where no automobiles ever venture, across cool mountain

Brother Lopez has accomplished a modern missionary miracle. His Lord said "Go ye into all the world and preach." His world revolves around these ten preaching points, with Coate-peque City as the hub, and as he trudges from place to place on foot, lives are being changed, living standards raised ... but more important, souls are being won to Christ.

#### **Chapel Support**

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The Defenders movement many years ago assigned the term "Chapel-Church" to the various places of worship on the mission field. Some of these groups of believers are large in size, but the majority of them are small, struggling congregations, back in the interior, in need of financial help to keep them going.

As of this writing, the Defenders movement is not supporting on a regular basis any specific Chapel-Church in Guatemala. We can undertake such a move only as we hear from our readers.

Under our Chapel Plan, friends in the United States contribute \$20.00 a month to the support of a native Pastor (such as Vicente Lopez of Coatepeque City, Guatemala). Persons who thus cooperate are called "Chapel Friends."

A person assuming the support of a Chapel-Church, is sent pictures of the Missionary Pastor and of the place where meetings are held . . . also regular monthly reports on the progress of the work.

If you would like to see the Gospel work continue to grow in Guatemala, please fill out the blank below, sending it to us today.

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# **EDITORIALS**

#### FATHER KNOWS BEST

"For your heavenly father knoweth." Matthew 6:32

This month father has a day of special recognition. Last month mother had her day. As fathers, we do not deserve all the gracious plaudits which are rightly placed upon the crown of faithful Christian mothers, yet in the responsibilitity of leadership, example and provision, the father has first place. To be a real father requires more than bringing home a weekly pay check.

There are many noble fathers today who take seriously their responsibility in and outside the home. While earning a living they take time to live — to live with the family.

The wise father is interested in the spiritual, as well as the material, welfare of his children. He has time to take the family to church and is concerned to know that his offspring grow and develop in soul as well as in mind. He is concerned with their future as much as their present. To such fathers—we salute you and we pray the Lord to give us more like you.

In the Bible, many are the times the expression "Our Heavenly Father" appears. These words are so fragrant with heavenly meaning for an earthly person.

While here on earth we have such a close relationship to that which is in Heaven. "Our Father" is there. Our "Elder Brother" is there. Our "treasurers" are there. Our "Home" is there.

What precious words Christ taught His disciples to use in coming to the throne of Grace... "Our Father which art in Heaven." The meaning is, we have a Father there, He has sons here. A blessed relationship so binding, so close.

"Your heavenly father knoweth." His knowledge is complete. Yes, our "Father knows best." What a blessed relationship! Think of the strong eternal ties which bind our hearts together in that family bond of heavenly kin. Into this relationship, by the miracle of the New Birth we have become sons of God.

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Modernism would make Him the Father of the whole human race but the Bible does not confirm this. Jesus said concerning some, "ye are of your father the devil." Only those who have been "born of the Spirit" can know the joy of possessing the Heavenly Father.

"Our Father" knows His children. All of our needs are known to Him. He knows our strength and our weaknesses. Our frailties are known to Him. He knows the burdens we carry. He knows our sorrows. He knows our joys. He knows when the shadows gather and nights are dark. He knows how much light to turn on as we walk the paths of earth. He knows when the tempter

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It was the Prophet Micah who stated "Thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea." What a burial ground. We are told that there are seven tons of pressure per square inch in the ocean's deepest point!

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would lead astray. He knows when wisdom is needed, He knows, yes our Heavenly Father knows.

As a Father, He cares for His own. His eye is ever upon us. His ear is open and listening for our cry. He hears the faintest whisper. There are times when He may use the chastening rod but it is for our eternal good. The rod is in the hand of love. His is a heart of concern for each of His children. Earthly friends and relationships may fail, but He cares with an eternal care.

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ways does a good father give everything his child may desire, but he does give what is best. This is true with our Heavenly Father. What He withholds would be a tragedy were we to possess it. His provision is best. E

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Fear and worry are foreign to the trusting child with confidence in father's ability and provisions. Since "Our Heavenly Father" is so concerned to feed and clothe the creatures of His creation, He will not fail to provide for members of His own precious family. What we wear, what we eat, where we go, what we are, are all of deep concern to Him.

As sons of "Our Heavenly Father" we have certain responsibilities. The father lives in the Son. The Son posseses features of the Father. There are certain likenesses that reveal the father-son relationship.

Heavenly Father features should be pronounced in the children of God. Such features cannot be had by imitation. They are the fruit of the Spirit life within. Such a life has its origin at the time of birth, the New Birth. These features become more pronounced by association with and communion with the Father.

A son brings joy to his father's heart by obeying the father. In the spiritual realm, how true this is! Obedience to the Father's command not only gladdens the Father's heart but brings rich rewards.

This obedience must be complete. We are not to question His commands. Even the most difficult tasks can be performed for as has been said, "His commands mean His enablings." What a reward for the son when the Father says, "well done," "obedience is better than sacrifice."

This blessed relationship has its rewards. The son is an heir to the father's possessions. We are "joint-heirs with Christ." The apostle must have had this in mind when he wrote "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

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#### ALCOHOLISM AND INDUSTRY

Mr. James F. Oates, Jr., president of Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, said recently that alcoholism costs American industry more than one billion dollars a year and called on management to take positive action to assist alcoholics.

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He told the final meeting of the threeday annual conference of the National Council on Alcoholism at the Hotel Statler in New York that there are more than 4,500,000 alcoholics in the United States at the present time.

He also stated that average alcoholics lose 22 working days annually due to intoxication, and his accident rate is greater and his life span shorter than the non-alcoholic worker.

Along this same line, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company recently supplied some unusual facts and figures concerning alcohol, as follows:

- 1. About one-fifth of our fatal auto accidents involve a drinking driver or a drinking pedestrian.
- 2. In almost half of our murders or suicides, either the slayer or the victim has been drinking.
- 3. The cost each year of alcoholic crimes in the United States is around 180-million dollars. It takes another 30-million to take care of mental cases. Another 25-million goes to build and keep up jails for our alcoholic prison-
- 4. About one out of every three victims of fatal falls, drownings, electrocutions and other violent accidents had been drinking.
- 5. And, of course, there is no way to calculate damage due to the family finances and to the hearts and souls of the survivors of all these alcoholics.

The only solution to the problem of alcoholism is total prohibition. Some well-meaning people reply to this idea by saying, "Oh, prohibition can't be by saying, "Oh, prohibition can't enforced. It's too unpopular a law!"

Remind them that the United States Government has done a rather thorough job of enforcing another most unpopular statute for the past forty-five years ... the law compelling citizens to pay a tax on all income! If the proper officials can keep track of every employed individual in the United States, it would

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C. N. SNIDER Fort Lupton, Colorado be a rather simple matter to regulate the drinking habits of those same persons!

#### THE EDITOR SPEAKS

The editor of The Defender will be conducting conferences this summer in Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia, Maine and Canada. He will also be speaking in many Youth for Christ services. Readers of this magazine are urged to attend the services which will be announced in local papers and on the radio.

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#### J. EDGAR HOOVER REPORTS

No one in the nation knows the moral pulse of the people better than J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It will be well for America to take seriously words from his lips or pen. His shocking recent report concerning crime among our youth is most alarming. It should drive the church to her knees in prayer. The crisis is far worse than many wish to admit.

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This book of devotions, intended for both personal and public worship, includes pen portraits of the best and the worst women in the Bible. The best women are worthy of thoughtful study because it is through their mature faith that they blazed a trail we can safely follow.

The worst women also merit our attention, for they mark the danger spots which still exist as death traps, and into which many of every age have tragically fallen.

The general purpose of this book is to show the important part women have played in history. The specific purpose is to spotlight certain dramatic experiences and make appropriate modernday applications to enrich faith for today.

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The above paragraphs appear in the introduction to Mrs. Brillhart's latest volume of devotions, revealing not only the purpose of the book, but also indicating something of the spiritual status and personal warmth of the author.

A busy home-maker, wife, mother, lecturer, counselor, and writer, Mrs. Brillhart is active in church work and in organizations of the Oklahoma farming community in which she lives.

She helped organize the Oklahoma Association for Mental Health, and is an active leader in this organization and in the Oklahoma State Federation of Women's Clubs.

In this book she dramatizes the abundant faith of the women of the Bible and shows in the forty devotions how their experiences can be applied to life today, thus enriching the faith of the reader.

The material given for these brief worship services - suggested interest centers, Scripture texts and background Bible reading, special music and hymns, short inspirational messages, and prayers - may be adapted to fit the particular group or occasion.

Mrs. Brillhart feels that the women of the Bible have a message for the citizens of the twentieth century, and introduces some of the best known characters of the Bible, as well as some of those lesser known, developing such general subjects of special interest to women as marriage, motherhood, courage, personality, and in programs for such special occasions as Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and Christian Education week.

The book is designed for use in group worship in churches of all denominations, as well as for use in clubs, P.T.A.'s and other organizations, and for personal meditation.

From the first devotion ("Beginner in Marriage") which deals with Eve, on through to the last ("Blessed Among Women"), a study of the mother of Christ, Mrs. Brillhart displays a keen depth of perception.

Other topics of particular interest include "Bride of Destiny" (Rebekah); "3-D Personality" (Deborah); "Diamonds in the Rough" (Rahab, Sinful Woman, Adulterous Woman); "How to Face Life's Storms" (The Shunam-mite Woman); "Food for Thought" (Martha and Mary); "Three Marys" (The Other Mary of Nazareth, Mary of Rome, Mary of Jerusalem); and "Count Your Blessings" (Ruth).

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The author then proceeds to uncover the fallacies of the doctrine of evolution in a most unusual and refreshing manner. The chapter entitled "The Man From Mars" is alone worth the price of the volume.

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#### **DEBORAH, THE PROPHETESS**

Judges 2:16-19; 4:4-9; 5:6-9

MEMORY TEXT: "Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised." Proverbs 31:30.

The general plan and pattern of the lesson is as

- A. Israel lapses into idolatry. Judges 2:17.
- B. Israel repents her evil ways. Judges 2:18. C. Deborah, judge and prophetess. Judges 4:4.
- D. The song of victory. Judges 5:6-9.

#### The Key Word: Judges

Today's lesson comes in that period of Biblical history known as "the Judges," bracketed between the time ancient Israel entered Canaan and the appearance of Samuel when the first king (Saul) assumed control.

'In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes." (Judges 17:6; 18:1) This sentence, frequently and earnestly repeated, gives us the keynote of the entire Book of Judges.

Each tribe took thought for itself how best to secure and maintain an adequate territory, so that separate interests of all sorts soon became prevalent, and regard for the general welfare was more and more forgotten.

This separation of the parts of the nation was aided by the early disunion and jealousies of the several tribes, no one of which held the preeminence. The consequences of this internal discord were so threatening that it became a very grave question whether the nation would be able to hold even the soil on which its peculiar religion and culture were to attain their full development.

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atrous influences; they seemed incapable of grasping the idea of a divine and invisible King; therefore God allowed them judges in the persons of faithful men who acted, for the most part, as agents of the divine will, regents of the invisible King, holding their commission directly from him or with his sanction.

The Biblical total of the period of the Judges is 410 years; but many of these local chieftains were independent of one another, and contemporaneous. This is one explanation given for the incorrect records concerning the length of their sway. Some claim there were thirteen Judges, while others list as many as fifteen.

Deborah, the heroine of today's lesson, is the only woman included in the group.

#### The Key Verse: Judges 4:9

"And she said, I will surely go with thee: notwithstanding the journey that thou takest shall not be for thine honour; for the Lord shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And Deborah arose, and went with Barak to Kedesh."

Barak was a timid, vacillating man. He lacked courage, for he relied on his own capabilities and knew in his heart that he was limited.

Deborah, on the other hand, lived close to God. Her faith in Him was unquestioned. Her intellectual powers had

had won its way and established its influence in Israel. We are all familiar with the person who is never able to do any duty without the assistance of others. We recall the school boy who always did his work

made her influence great among the

people. Difficult cases were brought to her. Her knowledge and her sagacity

when he could prevail on his sister to stand beside him. He is not the character who impresses us as possessing strong, marked, or admirable lines. You want someone more determined and self-reliant. If a duty has to be done, in the name of that duty, and in the name of your God who gives you that duty, do it like a

Deborah stepped forth confidently for she knew the Lord was with her, and that she was in the center of His

man, and do not stop to make condi-

tions which betray your weakness.

#### The Key Fact: There Are Still Deborahs in the World Today

God worked through the Judges, which included Deborah, to guide the Israelites to victory and to a better understanding of His ways. Today many women, like Deborah, are guiding boys and girls into His way.

This group includes Christian mothers, consecrated Sunday School teachers, sponsors of youth activities, as well as many other Church workers. Each of us, if we think back in our past, can recall the influence some Christian woman has had on our life.

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#### SAMSON, THE MIGHTY

Judges 15:11-15; 16:15-21

MEMORY TEXT: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Romans 12:1.

The general plan and pattern of the lesson is as follows:

- A. The betrayal of Samson by Judah. Judges 15:11-13.
- B. Samson delivered to the Philistines. Judges 15:14-15.
- C. Samson and Delilah. Judges 16:15-19.
- D. Samson a prisoner of the Philistines. Judges 16:20-21.

#### The Key Word: Strength

The Bible tells us, "He ... is better ... that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city."

Samson is spoken of as the "strong man." In the light of the Scriptures he was weak. God gave him the endowment of physical strength; but he failed to use it as he should have done, and what could have been a bright shining light went out in the eclipse of blindness and darkness.

God endowed Alexander the Great with a brilliant mind and the power to unify and rule the nations of the world. But his lust for power and his thirst for strong drink ruined his life. Like Samson, he conquered others, himself he could not conquer.

In writing to the Philippians Paul said "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Through the moral strength of Christ the child of God can reverse the ruling impulse of his past sinful life. Once he was blind but now, because of Christ, he can see.

He can make amends for the pernicious influence of his past life. "And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold."

He can turn the very scene of his earthly life into a heaven. "And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly."

Without the moral strength of Christ, man cannot destroy the past actions of his life; he cannot bring back the neglected opportunities of his life; nor can he destroy the influence of his life.

#### The Key Verse: Judges 16:20

"And she said, The Philistines be

upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him."

The consecrated individual is always in danger of having his locks shorn. There are a thousand razors which the devil can utilize to shave off the locks of a consecrated man without his hardly knowing it.

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Sometimes he takes the sharp razor of pride, and when the Christian falls asleep, and is not vigilant, he comes with it and begins to run his fingers through the victim's locks, and says, "What a fine fellow you are! What wonders you have done!"

And so, on goes the razor, lock after lock falling off, and Samson knows it now. He is just thinking within himself, "How brave am I! How great am I! How strong am I!" Thus works the razor of pride — cut, cut, cut away — and he wakes up to find himself bald, and all his strength gone.

Another razor he uses is self-sufficiency. The moment we begin to think that it is our own arm that has gotten us the victory, it will be all over with us — our locks of strength shall be taken away, and the glory shall depart from us.

There is yet another and a more palpable danger still. When a consecrated man begins to change his purpose in life and live for himself — that razor shaves clean indeed.

### The Key Fact: The Devil Still Seeks to Cause Man's Downfall

Satan himself cannot push a man down against his will. Samson's fall was very gradual, even imperceptible to himself. He had been pampering his appetite, and gratifying his animal desires; and thus gradually sliding away from the virtuous and the true, he lost his power before he was aware of it.

One mistake he made was in not being able to determine who his enemies were. Deliliah came to him as a friend, whereas she was actually a tool through which the devil could work to cause Samson's downfall. He boasted proudly of his strength, failing to give proper credit to God.

Remember, the losing of Divine power is a gradual and an imperceptible process. No outward event will announce its loss, no great convulsion within will signify it. He will only know it when the time comes that he requires it; when, like Samson, he is reduced to an emergency, requires Divine power, makes an effort, and finds it is gone.

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#### SAMUEL, A RIGHTEOUS SERVANT

I Samuel 3:10-20

MEMORY TEXT: "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:6.

The general plan and pattern of the lesson is as follows:

- A. The child Samuel called of God. I Samuel 3:10.
- B. God's startling message to Eli. I Samuel 3:11. C. Samuel's hesitation to deliver it. I Samuel 3:15.
- D. Samuel's advancement as a prophet. I Samuel

#### The Key Word: Samuel

The story of Samuel is one of the most remarkable and encouraging found anywhere in the Bible. Dedicated to the Lord before his birth, which was a direct result of prayer, his mother "lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord."

He was the forerunner of a long line of children whom the Lord has used to advance the kingdom of heaven. Not as a mature man, strong to meet life's difficulties, with a challenge to fight life's battles did Samuel win the confidence and admiration of the people; but as a tender, innocent child, with a heart as pure as the driven snow.

When but a little child, Samuel was brought by his parents to Shiloh, and there delivered to the aged high priest, Eli, to serve him in the tabernacle. His growth and development there contradict all the laws of environment.

Eli was senile, nearly blind, and had, by his helplessness and inability, lost the control and guidance of the affairs of the house of God. These had been taken over by his two sons whose daily conduct was at the opposite pole of the life they were supposed to live and

In this murky, sin-laden atmosphere of the tabernacle the righteous-crowned soul of Samuel developed, and he became God's spokesman for His troubled people.

The Christian world should ever be aware that the leadership of tomorrow must be chosen from the children of today, both in church and state. More godly mothers, more dedicated children, will do much to improve the conditions now existent in the world today.

#### The Key Verse: I Samuel 3:18

"And Samuel told him every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he said, It is the Lord: let him do what seemeth him good."

Samuel was the soul of sincerity. He

was true, both to the Lord and to his master, Eli. It was a painful narrative, not only to the doomed old man, but to the youthful prophet, whose own heart bled for the priest he honored and

There is something noble about Eli's reaction to the revelation given Samuel. One might expect to see an element of jealousy on his part because God had passed him by, the high priest of all Israel, and had communicated with this stripling of under age; and especially so when the message dealt personally with the priest.

Far from challenging the genuineness of the revelation, he simply said, "It is the Lord." And his attitude is all the more admirable as he added, "let him do what seemeth him good."

Here is the spirit of resignation to what the Lord thinks is best. Not everyone in high place, who has outlived his usefulness, is willing to step aside graciously in behalf of younger and more vigorous leadership. That is usually done only when the retiring one values the interests of the cause involved more than those of a personal nature.

Eli knew in his heart that he had sinned against the Lord and well deserved the judgments that had been denounced against him. He was noble enough to acknowledge that God was too wise to err, and too good to inflict punishment without a cause.

#### The Key Fact: We should at all times exert our influence for God

Eli had neglected to punish his sons for their great impieties. He had reproved them, but when he found the inefficiency of lenient reproofs, he neglected to adopt severer measures. This was the sin which excited God's displeasure against him, and occasioned the utter ruin of his whole family.

How strongly does this apply to every individual amongst us! And how urgently does it call upon us to exert our influence, whatever it may be, for God! If others are bold in the service of the devil, we should be bold in the service of our God.

As servants of the Most High God we speak a little by what we say, more by what we do, but most by what we are. Actions speak louder than words. "What you are . . . thunders so that I cannot hear what you say," is an old but true saying!

Our influence is as much a talent as our time, or money, or anything else, and we ought to use it for God. We should not be contented to go to heaven alone, but should endeavor to carry all we can along with us.

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#### A MERCIFUL AND JUST GOD

Deuteronomy 10:12-15, 17-22; 11:1; Romans 5:6-11

MEMORY TEXT: "Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict." Job 37:23.

The general plan and pattern of the lesson is as follows:

- A. God showed justice to the Israelites. Deuteronomy 10:18.
- B. He expected their love and service in return. Deuteronomy 10:12.
- C. God extended this same mercy to all mankind. Romans 5:6.
- D. By His Son's death on the cross, we are justified and saved from wrath. Romans 5:9.

#### The Key Word: Die

The fountain and spring of our salvation is the death of Christ. One might have said when the angels sang, "Unto you is born this day a Saviour," that this would be humiliation enough for God, to merely come to earth and live among men. Surely there would be enough virtue in this act to save us.

The incarnation is the foundation fact, but something more must be built on it. Is life enough? Working, sleeping, passing up and down the streets of Nazareth for thirty years? No, this is

not redemption. It brings us nearer to it, year by year. But life like this for ever would not have saved us.

Is teaching enough? No, that had great power, but it was like God's law. It made sin more exceeding sinful, but did not take it away.

Would translation to heaven, then, have been enough? No, nothing will do but this. "Christ died for us," as our Ransom, our Substitute, not merely for our benefit and advantage.

He died to satisfy justice. He died to honour the Divine law. He died to procure for us a righteous forgiveness, a peace - calm, and deep, and pure like the very peace of God. He died to cancel guilt, to cleanse us by His sacrificial blood.

And this great act is brought before us here, and everywhere, as the most wonderful proof that could be given of the love of God. In the whole course of human history there has been nothing like it. Christ died for our sins.

Jesus was born to die. He said "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." He was willing to go the last mile for us. He gladly accepted the punishment which rightly belonged to

He also said "I am come that they

might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." So that we might have the hope of living eternally, He was ready to die. In order that we might become a child of the King, He became poor for our sake!

#### The Key Verse: Deuteronomy 10:12

"And now, Israel, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all

And what does the Lord require of us? Reverence - "But to fear the Lord thy God." Obedience - "To walk in all His ways." To go when He tells us, and to take the way He has prepared for us.

Matthew Henry said: "It ought to be the care of every one of us to follow the Lord fully. We must, in a course of obedience to God's will, and service to His honour, follow Him universally, without dividing; uprightly, without dissembling, cheerfully, without disputing; and constantly, without declining: and this is following Him fully."

Love - "And to love him." This exhortation comes in beautifully to prevent the possibility of reverence becoming a terror, and obedience servility.

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Service - "And to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul." Conviction, principle, truth, sentiment and emotion find their level in service, as the waters of the river do in the sea. Life, of every kind, is energy from within towards an outward object.

Diligence - "To keep the commandments of the Lord and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good."

#### The Key Fact: God is both Just and Merciful

In this lesson our attention is directed to two of the characteristics of God His justice and mercy, qualities which are inherent in His very nature.

As used in the Scriptures, the word "just" has more of ethical implication than of strict application of the law, more of "ought" than of "must." It denotes a character that is upright, honorable, without respect of persons, morally honest, beyond bribery, righteous.

Mercy, which springs from compassion and love, goes beyond strict justice. God is omniscient and is therefore in a position to know when it is best to temper justice with mercy. This mercy of God offers no consolation to those persistently wicked and ungodly, for all such shall perish, but it does bring hope for the contrite and penitent souls who desire to walk in His way.

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#### SOCIAL JUSTICE

Matthew 5:17-20, 46-48; 23:23-26

MEMORY TEXT: "And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." Luke 6:31.

The general plan and pattern of the lesson is as follows:

- A. The mission of Jesus. Matthew 5:17-19.
- B. The teachings of Jesus. Matthew 5:20-48.
- C. Jesus' denunciation of certain religious leaders. Matthew 23:23-26.
- D. Two principles of social action. Matthew 7:12; 22:36-40

#### The Key Word: Righteousness

No man can develop a true manhood who does not love the things which he does. No man ever does anything that marks him as masterly except it be done by a certain inspiration into which the whole soul enters.

A man that paints, hating his business, never is an artist, and can never be one. A man that is a teacher, and hates teaching, making drudgery of it, can never be an inspirational teacher.

A man that is a true workman in any sphere must work by a stimulation which comes from the actual enthusiasm of loving the thing done. A man that obeys moral laws without loving them is like a man who walks within the walls of a penitentiary.

The Pharisees considered themselves a righteous sect. They were celebrated for their knowledge. As Scribes, they were acquainted with the Scriptures. In religious matters they were particular and earnest. Always at the temple, earnest at prayer. They were wonderfully generous. They gave tithes of all they possessed.

They were held in high esteem by their fellow-countrymen. And yet Christ condemned them as hypocrites.

The Christian differs in his righteousness. His zeal for the law is not outward, but an inward conformity. He serves, not out of servile fear, but of filial confidence. He worships, not out of religious pride, but of devout humility. He desires no recognition for his good qualities, his aim is not to be seen of men.

#### The Key Verse: Matthew 5:48

"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

We mortals are far from perfect. Our knowledge is defective, we are still susceptible to the weakness of temptation. How then can we hope to fulfill this command of Christ?

He has promised that we can be perfect ... perfection is attainable ... perfection in Christ.

God is perfectly wise. Wisdom implies right use of knowledge, and lies in the will as well as in the understanding. He acts wisely whose will is directed by right reason. We should seek wisdom of God, asking Him to direct us in our ways.

God is perfectly good. His other attributes are rendered engaging to us by His goodness. Then we ought to be careful to practice goodness.

God is perfectly holy. This denotes the transcendent excellence of His nature, while He is infinitely distinguished from all other beings. Then we should follow after holiness.

God is perfectly just. Justice is commonly distinguished into commutative and distributive, the former in an equal exchange of benefits. It is of great concern to us guilty creatures to be found in Jesus Christ, having on His righteousness.

God is truth. Then we must embrace whatever God has revealed to us. It should yield us satisfaction that such a perfect Being as God is governs the world. Blessed are they who upon good

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grounds can call this perfect Being their Father and God.

#### The Key Fact: Jesus Taught With **Authority**

The authority of any message comes from either of two sources: the message itself, or the messenger. Jesus' authority centered in both.

There was something about the person of Jesus and the manner in which He taught that impressed His listeners greatly. This was no ordinary teacher, but the representative of heaven, the Son of God.

Jesus claimed that the message He proclaimed was the message of God. His words were the words of life. And on another occasion He said, "The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life." Eternal truth was in Him, and proclaimed by Him.

Jesus was never concerned with the trivial and unimportant. His chief concern was with men. He had a message for people, and every person was precious in His sight.

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### SOCIAL SECURITY PENSIONS

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AMID a host of inanities that stem from the nation's capital, one of the most ridiculous is the one that limits an individual receiving Social Security pensions to earning not more than \$1200 per year.

"Ridiculous" is undoubtedly to o mild a word to describe this unfair ruling against a vast segment of our senior citizens.

It is estimated that approximately 7,500,000 Americans who have passed the 65-year mark are enjoying (?) Social Security pensions.

About one-sixth or 1,250,000 of these men and women, even though they have passed the outmoded retirement age of 65 have refused to quit work. They continue to produce for the general welfare of the communities in which they live and for the nation as a whole. For this industry on their part they are penalized if they earn over \$1200 per year.

Now it seems to this columnist that this matter of Social Security pensions resolves itself down to one of two things: Either the recipient of the pension is entitled to receive it or he or she has no right to it.

If the former applies, then what business is it of Uncle Sam's how much the pensioner earns? If the latter is the case, then what business has Uncle Sam to pay the pension?

Fundamentally, the basic idea of "Old Age and Survivors Insurance" (Social Security) is wrong. It is compulsory insurance which makes it con-

trary to the American scheme of things. One of these days it is to be hoped that the whole scheme will be junked, but until that happy day arrives we've got to endure it.

But, in the meantime, let's make the best of a bad bargain. Let's give our senior citizens a break — let them have their Social Security pensions with no strings attached.

Just contrast this Social Security treatment of its pensioners with that accorded by a private enterprise company.

When the private company turns the employee out to pasture on pension, that employee, if able, may earn a million dollars per year, without the slightest restriction or curtailment of his company pension.

In the case of the government insurance (Social Security) the worker is forced along with his employer to purchase it; while, in most cases, the pension plan into which he enters with a private concern is purely voluntary on his part.

Of course, this absurd limitation of \$1200 per year earnings on the Social Security pensioner, is just another example of what happens whenever government initiates or takes over a project that belongs in the realm of private endeavor.

Governments have never been able to refrain from restrictive bureaucratic rulings. They just have to let the people know who is boss.

This United States of ours became

the world's most prosperous nation because of the initiative of our people. Our American Capitalistic System of Free Enterprise puts the emphasis on incentive. Then, how in the name of heaven, did we ever permit the Washington bureaucrats to sabotage incentive for our elder citizens? And how much longer are we going to put up with such nonsense?

In the majority of cases, the Social Security pensions fall far short of meeting the subsistent needs of the pensioner. And in many more cases, those pensions plus \$1200 earnings per year still are inadequate to permit the pensioner to live through the declining years in comfort.

Only a few crack-pots have a kind word to say about this \$1200 per year limitation. This columnist has heard no rational person speak favorably about it.

The vast majority of the American people are "agin" it — and are quite vocal in denouncing it. Unfortunately most of the complaints are made in the wrong quarters. This volume of protests should be channeled to where it can accomplish something — to Washington.

Why not put down this magazine, reach for paper, envelope and pen, and write your Congressman that this unfair restriction on Social Security pensioners must be repealed — but quickly?

If you are not yet 65 years of age, don't let that deter you from taking that action — you'll be reaching that age one of these fine days, and it'll be a much finer day for you if there are no strings on your Social Security pension.

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